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## Who's Who and What's What

Dr. S. H. Jones of Brookhaven is this week in a meeting at Terry with Pastor Carey Cox.

There were 39 additions to the church at Clinton Sunday, making 128 in the past two Sundays.

Dr. S. G. Posey, pastor of First Church, Austin, Texas, spent his vacation in Mississippi. It was our pleasure to get a glimpse of him.

Last week Rev. R. B. Patterson of Okolona assisted Pastor Carmon Savell in a meeting at Mt. Freedom mChurch near Cornishville, Ky.

We are publishing this week a majority and a minority report of the Commission of Twenty. We understand about twelve signed the majority report and three the minority report. Both will go to the Convention for final decision.

We hope that those who are so set on a new technique for the way of salvation, a new approach to our generation, a new adaptation of religion to our changing world, will keep their profane hands off of John 3:16.

Pastor A. H. Clark, one of our Mississippians who went west years ago, has on account of ill health resigned at Kingsville, Texas, after a total of fifteen years of what the Baptist Standard says were years of good progress.

We just say this in a whisper: It would have been a crumb of comfort if the Commission of Twenty had said a word about the large increase in circulation of the Baptist Record, and joined the Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in recommending a further increase as a means of helping to meet the financial needs of the denomination. These needs will not be met except as the paper goes into the homes of our people.

If this writer knows his own heart, and he thinks he does in this particular matter, he has no racial or religious prejudice against the Jew. He abhors all racial and religious persecution. His soul is indignant at the persecution which the Jews have suffered. He finds in the Jewish race many admirable qualities, and he believes that they are God's chosen people with a mission in the world. He can second all that Paul says about them in the ninth chapter of Romans. But he agrees with Paul also in the fact that the Jew's religion is not the Christian religion, and any effort to confuse the two or overlook their essential differences will do the Jews no good, nor anybody else. Paul speaks of the Jew's religion in Galatians 1:13-14. And he makes it clear that it is not the Christian religion, and to follow it is to deny the Christian gospel. It looks like anybody could see that Paul said when he followed the Jew's religion he persecuted the Christians. And it is true to this day When a member of a Jewish family becomes a Christian, he becomes the object of the most bitter persecution. Paul worked and prayed for the salvation of his people, for he loved them devotedly. It was a distress of soul to him that they were not saved, although they fought him as long as he lived. He would certainly never lend himself to any movement that would lead people to believe that the Jew's religion and the Christian religion are the same thing. Paul said if any man or an angel from heaven should preach any other than what he preached, "let him be anathema."

On the day appointed to be observed as a day of prayer for peace among the nations, the worst air battle of all history was fought over London. God will still make the wrath of man to praise Him. God, grant us repentance unto life.

Dr. R. C. Campbell, mission secretary in Texas, went back to the place of his early life in western North Carolina lately and is said to have preached to one of the largest crowds ever assembled for worship in the state. The meeting was at the Cleveland County Fair Grounds on Sunday night.

Poor Rumania! King Carol is a second time in exile. Without conscience or shame he pursued his iniquitous course, and has come to grief. But he is not alone. God is calling many nations into judgment today, and his word still stands: except ye repent ye shall all in like manner perish.

Dr. Norman W. Cox and Mr. Harry T. Smallwood are arranging for a special Radio Broadcast to the Manhood of Mississippi on Layman's Day, Oct. 20th. The subject will be, "Mobilizing Men for Christ." Such messages now will doubtless be a real service. These honored brethren will announce further details of this broadcast within a few days.

It is certainly encouraging to see in the daily papers the announcement by the sheriff of Harrison County that he will enforce the law against gambling and the sale of liquor. May the Lord give him strength for the task. He will need it, for liquor has been sold openly in that county without let or hindrance. What are sheriffs and governors for if not to see that the law is enforced.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary to India fathered and conducted an Ashram in Blue Ridge, N. C., for two weeks in August. It was a sort of conference and demonstration of what Dr. Jones conceives to be a Christian Society, a miniature kingdom of God. It was under the auspices of the Federal Council and was preparatory to the National Christian Missions, 21 of them to be held in the North and West. There were half a dozen Baptist preachers present.

Invitations are out to the marriage of Mr. Charles Aven Whittington and Miss Mary Elizabeth Oliver Fountain of Greenwood, Sept. 27, 1940. The prospective groom is the son of Hon. W. M. Whittington, congressman from the third district and Mrs. Anna Ward Aven Whittington; also the grandson of the late Dr. A. J. Aven and Mrs. Aven of Clinton. These are among our best friends. The young lady is a member of a Greenwood family long prominent in business and social circles in that city. We wish for them the best that life can bring.

There is an old story with a present day pertinent application. One Irishman was explaining to another why he had joined the socialist party. He said that socialism was the best system because, he said, "If I have a hundred acres of land, I should have to give you fifty of it. If I had a thousand dollars, I should have to give you half of it." His friend asked, "And suppose you have two pigs?" "Now, now," the first replied, that's not the same thing; you know I have two pigs." How many of those now getting benefits from the government are aware that what is coming to them is taken from somebody else in the form of "taxes"? Oh, no; they are not socialists! That would put them in a bad class! It all depends on who's ox is gored.

One item in the report of the "Commission of Twenty" is that "a continued study of the problem be made to reduce the annual deficit of the Baptist Record department." Dearly beloved, you can solve that in two minutes by requiring each department to pay for the space it uses. And then listen to the anvil chorus.

For a week Rev. O. C. Chance preached daily to about 200 people seven miles northeast of Crowder, resulting in the organization of a new church, Enon in Panola County. There are 30 charter members. Three young ladies were baptized. The church called brother Chance as pastor, and plans are making for a new church house.

Pastor O. C. Chance rejoices in good meetings recently held at Sardis Church, Copiah County. He was helped by Rev. A. L. Goodrich, who brought inspiring and scriptural messages, by which the church was edified. There were twelve additions, nine by baptism. At Zion Hill, Copiah County, brother H. B. Speights preached for a week. These were great messages; the church was uplifted and there were eleven additions. At crowder in the second revival this year six were added to the church, making 46 since January 1. Brother J. C. Murphy brought stirring messages and K. Moore led the singing.

Many have heard with genuine regret of the death of Rev. Hosea B. Price, whose ministry of thirty years in the state will be remembered with pride for years to come. Our acquaintance goes back to his student days at Mississippi College, when the editor was pastor in Clinton. His was a wholesome and cheerful spirit. When last we saw him he seemed so vigorous and retained the spirit of youthful buoyancy. But lately he has been in declining health and God called him home. He was pastor for a while at Hernando, but most of his ministry was in the part of the state where he was reared, in Lincoln and Pike Counties. Here his memory will be long cherished.

The death of Judge C. P. Long of Tupelo is a great loss to many good causes. He was one of the foremost citizens of Mississippi. He served as judge of his district for many years, and always with distinction and honor. He was an active member and official in the First Church of Tupelo. His interest in various departments of our Baptist work was well known. Especially was he concerned for the welfare of the Baptist Orphanage of which he was for a while a trustee. It was his habit in opening court to take a collection from the crowd for the Baptist and Methodist Orphanages in Jackson. His record as a citizen and church member will be a good heritage for his family.

Some of the brethren in North Carolina are badly befuddled over the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in declining the invitation to join the World Council of Churches. The cry goes up for liberty and democracy. If ever there was an exhibition of democracy it was in that debate. The folks that got licked are suffering the consequences of democracy. It is not democracy they want, but the will of the minority. And they complain about a certain Dr. Leiper not being invited to speak. Why didn't they ask him to speak? Bless your heart we didn't know he was there. Those who wanted to hear him didn't invite him. If there was any discourtesy it was on their part. And when they talk about "a degree of insensitivity to the needs of a changing world," if that is not "clouting the issues with a smoked screen of verbiage" where would you go to find it?



## Sparks and Splinters

The church at Whiteside, Tenn., recently canceled the ordination of R. E. Johnson, and excluded him from the church.

Sunday school attendance at Lyon church during August ran forty-one percent above the same month last year, though Pastor Smith was on vacation.

Large crowds and good weather attended the meeting at Bethany Church, Sunflower County. Twenty-five were added to the church. The church has a mind to go forward.—J. W. Sturdivant, Pastor.

Mr. Charles W. Barnes succeeds Mr. Wm. L. Ball as Baptist Student Secretary at the University of Alabama. He is an alumnus of Howard College and of the Southern Seminary. Mr. Ball is now student secretary at Mississippi College.

Rev. Clovis O. Brantley, superintendent of the Home Board's Rescue Mission in New Orleans, has since January 1 received nineteen girls, twelve of whom were from Mississippi. Surely our people in the state can well afford to help this cause which has to be supported by voluntary contributions. Address 740 Esplanade Ave., New Orleans.

The Southern Baptist Convention has made provision for the registration of any members of our churches who are conscientiously opposed to bearing arms. Any such who are of military age and wish their objections to be considered may write to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, 161 Eighth Ave. North, Nashville, Tenn., for registration cards and instructions. Don't write to the Baptist Record.

A called meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pontotoc County Baptist Association will convene at the Pontotoc Baptist Church Saturday, September 14, at 2:30 p. m. Each church is asked to send a representative to the meeting. We would like to urge that all the pastors of the churches be present. Business for the approaching meeting of the association will be taken up. Pastors, tell the folks and all come.—H. B. Brown, Moderator.

From the Weekly Messenger of the West Laurel Church we learn that Sunday was the day for considering plans for the new church building. How these folks do grow. They hope to break ground for the new building in 30 to 60 days. The deacons have recommended to the church that they adopt the retirement plan of the Southern Baptist Convention, providing support for the pastor at retirement age. Their revival meeting begins soon with Rev. W. B. Abel of Poplar Springs Church, Meridian, preaching. West Laurel's pastor, as most folks know is Rev. J. H. Street.

At Lone Pine Church in Madison County Pastor R. E. Larson had Rev. J. D. Walker of Canton to preach for him in a pentecostal meeting. The people prayed and the Holy Spirit came in power. There were 29 who were baptized in Pearl River and three others came by letter. This church has had a small membership, and this was the greatest meeting in its history. Brother Larson has been pastor here for two years. When he preached Sunday afternoon his two boys made profession of faith and united with the church. Miss Maxie King was pianist during the meeting and greatly helped in many ways.

Rev. O. C. Rainwater writes of a meeting in Glenfield community two miles west of New Albany, in which brother Rainwater led the singing and brother Percy Ray preached. There were sixty professions of faith up to two days before the close of the meeting. Brother Ray works under the direction of the Home Mission Board. Brother Ray says of him that he is doing a fine and enduring work, building churches and church houses, and he has marvelous cooperation from his people. His zeal for the lost is deep and abiding. The church buildings would do credit to any good town, and they are practically all paid for. They have a good program and are working at it.

There were more additions to the Baptist churches in China last year than in any previous year.

Baptist Day at the Temple of Religion, Worlds Fair, New York, will be October 5. Dr. M. E. Dodd is one of the speakers.

September 16 Evangelist B. W. Walker will be with Pastor Thorn in a meeting in the church at Raleigh.

The Sunday School Board is said to have sold over \$7,000.00 worth of books at Ridgecrest this summer. That looks like our people are taking to reading.

Mr. Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's Ambassador to the pope has returned to America on account of ill health. Welcome home, Mr. Taylor, and may your stay be life-long.

The agreement between President Roosevelt and the British government by which this country gets bases in many British islands on this side of the Atlantic for naval bases is commended by most people. And Congress didn't get a chance to talk it over for six months.

There were six additions, two of them by baptism, the church at Crowder where brother J. C. Murphy assisted Pastor Chance. There were large crowds and a genuine revival. Rev. C. Moore of Carthage led the singing.—W. J. Atkinson, C. C.

Pastor Jordan begins Oct. 1 a church loyalty campaign at Morton to run three months. This has been the best year financially the church has had in a good many years. They are now contemplating building a parsonage, or adding Sunday school rooms or both.

Pastor J. T. Carter reports that Hebron Church was blessed with a helpful Vacation Bible school led by Miss Elizabeth Pickering for two weeks. The enrollment was good, work creditable, interest worthwhile. There was a delightful, instructive and inspirational commencement.

Pastor M. C. Hughes had Rev. James Thorn with him in a glorious revival at Good Hope Church, Leake County. The pastor led the singing. There were eleven additions, seven of them by baptism. This week brother Thorn is in a meeting in Burns, Smith County.

Rev. E. D. Estes, state evangelist, conducted a revival in the Richland church in Rankin County during the fourth week in August. There were fourteen additions to the church; 8 for baptism and 6 by letter. Brother Estes' consecration and deeply spiritual messages strengthened our church.—Member.

Rev. James Thorn of Raleigh preached in a revival meeting in Bethlehem, Scott County, August 25-30 where Rev. M. C. Hughes is the faithful and much loved pastor. The church was revived and there were 35 added to the church, 28 of them by baptism. He will assist Pastor Hughes in a meeting in Coopersville, Scott County, beginning Sept. 29.

Pastor Boland had Dr. M. O. Patterson with him in a meeting at Hebron Church, Yazoo County. The latter says, "I never saw greater attentiveness. Few attending were not church members. Two were received for baptism. Bro. Boland is a senior in Mississippi College. He has the confidence and esteem of his members, and faces a fruitful ministry in that field."

Dr. Porter M. Bailes says the church at De-Ridder, La., is composed of some of the finest folks any where. He was there in a meeting with Pastor J. C. Robinson, formerly pastor in Mississippi. It was a gracious revival with 47 additions, 25 by baptism. Prof. I. C. Prosser of Oklahoma City led the singing. He is a master in music direction.

A personal letter from Pastor Willis A. Brown of Shuqualak, tells of his and "Miss Ruby's" arrival at the parsonage, newly renovated and supplied with many and varied gifts. Now they are as busy as two bees in a tar barrel. They were given a delightful reception by Mrs. Evans, and all the folks came to see them. You know Miss Ruby was one of our state Sunday school workers, none better, and they were married at Briar Hill Church a month ago. Her brother performed the marriage ceremony, assisted by Dr. R. B. Gunter. Blessings on them.

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

### "THE JOKE IS ON US"

Not infrequently a preacher has strange reasons given him for lending people money. I remember one Saturday about twenty years ago while we were eating dinner our door bell rang. I went to the door and a young man about thirty years of age was standing there with a brand new suitcase in one hand and several parcels that looked like bundles which represented purchases he had made at a men's furnishing store in his other hand. He greeted me with effusive gladness and the question, "Do you remember me?"

I happened to remember him. He had been in our congregation the previous Sunday night and he had shaken hands with me and introduced himself. I asked him in. He told me he did not have time as he had to catch a train in about twenty minutes to his home where his parents lived which was about one hundred miles away. He told me where he was employed and that he had just got paid off that morning and had bought himself a new suitcase which he needed and a new suit of clothes and a pair of shoes and a new hat and some shirts and ties, etc., and he had, without realizing it, spent nearly all of his money so that he lacked \$1.50 of having his railroad fare home but that he had a savings account at home and if I would lend him the \$1.50 he would bring it to me Sunday night week.

I asked him if he could not take some of the shirts and ties back and get the money and relieve himself of his embarrassment. He answered that he could not do that and he felt like I should lend him the money. In answer to my question of why he thought I should lend him the money he knocked me off my feet with this reply:

"Why, man, I listened to you preach last Sunday night."

Perhaps I did owe him something for having to listen to me preach but if a preacher has to lend money to every stranger who endures his preaching, we could not live.

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Pastor H. B. Speights was assisted by Rev. O. C. Chance in a good meeting in Mizpah Church, Rankin County. Seven were baptized, one a grandmother in her sixties. The day congregation filled the house, which overflowed at night. The Spirit's presence was manifest and the fellowship was sweet.

The Commission of Twenty appointed by the State Convention last November to investigate the financial condition of all our boards and to make recommendations for meeting their needs, had a meeting in Jackson Monday. They finished the work they were appointed to do. Their recommendations will be published in The Baptist Record next week.

Dr. M. O. Patterson had Rev. W. A. Bell of Jackson to preach for him in a revival meeting at Walnut Grove in August. Brother E. C. Edwards of Houston led the singing. "Both of these men rendered most fruitful service, preaching and singing the gospel with unusual spiritual power. The largest congregations in ten years. There were 26 additions, 22 by baptism. Many of the members were spiritually revived.

Some years ago we saw a little child about four years old whose head was nearly as large as a water bucket. Of course it was due to disease. Bigness is not always a sign of health, or of greatness. The brethren who are ecumenically minded and want to bring all the churches into one organization are obsessed with the sense of bigness. One great trouble with the Lord's work today is that the individual Christian and the local church is lost in the big mass, until there is little sense of responsibility on those who have to do the work. The Southern Baptist Convention itself is so big that it takes it a long time to get in motion.



RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION OF TWENTY

The Commission of Twenty appointed at the last meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, "To study the entire present financial needs of all our Convention work, and seek to formulate a practical plan to meet these needs," is hereby submitting its recommendations to our Baptist people through the Baptist Record as we were instructed.

A full statement of all debts and needs of all Boards and institutions was made in the Baptist Record March 14th of this year.

Desiring that all Mississippi Baptists be fully informed about all the work done by the Commission, we are having the minutes printed in full in a following issue of the Record.

The following are the recommendations we will bring to the next session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention:

HOSPITAL

The Commission of Twenty recommends that the hospital continue its work as heretofore and be permitted to continue its plan of retiring its indebtedness without asking for any part in a unified debt paying program.

ORPHANAGE

We recommend that the present procedure and plan of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Orphanage continue on its pay-as-you-go-plan.

STATE MISSION BOARD

1. We approve the suggestion that a continued study of the problem be made to reduce the annual deficit of the Baptist Record department.

2. That the Convention set up a schedule for retiring \$5,612.80 present indebtedness against Clarke Memorial College.

3. That the Convention grant \$1,000.00 to Clarke Memorial College for current support for 1940-41 session.

4. That we highly commend Dr. R. B. Gunter for 18 years of unsurpassed service, leading us forward in depression and out, to the glory of Him whom we love and serve.

5. We recommend that the Convention authorize and instruct the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention Board to employ one auditor or auditing company who will audit the books of the Convention Board and all the agencies of the Convention.

6. The Commission recommends that the Convention instruct the Convention Board to make a re-study of B. S. U. work, and to make as large appropriation as possible for this work.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

That the Convention renew the authorization for Blue Mountain College to proceed with the endowment campaign for the purpose of increasing their endowment to the sum of \$500,000.00.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

1. That we commend the College Administration for the high grade of work maintained and the excellent financial condition of the College.

2. The Commission finds alumnae debts at Mississippi College and Blue Mountain College, such debts having been made for substantial improvements which are assets to these respective schools. It is shown that these debts are without legal status, but are recognized as moral obligations on Mississippi Baptists; therefore, we recommend to the Mississippi Baptist Convention that plans be set in operation to pay the debts, such plans to be worked out by the Boards of Trustees of the two schools, not to conflict with any other Convention plan.

MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

In view of the temporary suspension of Mississippi Woman's College, a recommendation be made to the Convention that a committee be appointed to act as trustee of the property and endowment of the college, and until further order of the Convention, this committee be authorized and instructed to use any income derived from the property and endowment for liquidation of the indebtedness of the college.

GENERAL

1. That we urge all Mississippi Baptists to participate according to the will of our Lord and their ability, in the present intensified Five

Thousand Club Plan, looking to the payment of all debts.

2. The Commission of Twenty recommends to the Mississippi Baptist Convention a continuance of the NOW CLUB PLAN for the liquidation of Convention indebtedness.

3. Our Committee observes that an intensified local church program on the order of the Church Loyalty Campaign contributes to a growing work and increased gifts to all causes and greatly magnifies our mission and evangelistic efforts, and means the progress of our denomination. We, therefore, recommend that the Convention promote to the fullest extent, and encourage in every possible way through church and pastor, the local church program.

4. Due to the fact that such a large percent of the money contributed to denominational causes comes in designated, and since we believe that all phases of our work can be cared for more

equitably and systematically through the Cooperative Program, we therefore recommend that our people be encouraged to give through the Cooperative Program, and if necessary special tracts be prepared for distribution that will magnify the Cooperative Program, and that special emphasis be given the same at all our associational meetings and evangelistic conferences.

5. That the Convention reiterate its position taken for several years, that no additional debts be made by any agencies of the Convention. It is further recommended that the Convention positively go on record stating that in case any agency whatever, in any wise related to the Convention's work, made further debts without first securing definite approval of the Convention, then the Convention will not consider itself either morally or legally bound for such indebtedness.

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MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMISSION OF TWENTY

The resolution that authorized the appointment of the Commission of Twenty, prescribed their duties also. The resolution is as follows: "This Commission is to study the entire present financial needs of all our Convention work, and seek to formulate a practical plan to meet these needs—the plans to be submitted to the next annual session of the Convention."

The spirit of this resolution shows clearly that Mississippi Baptists want to pay their debts, provide for the needs of their institutions and enter upon a forward looking program for Christ in Mississippi.

The majority report reveals that the Commission as a whole has failed utterly to catch the spirit and purpose of this resolution, and therefore have not carried out the provisions of the resolution. The report brings to you a statement of all our debts, but they do not offer any plan

Convention Debts

Bonded ..	\$515,000.00
Other—Note ..	15,000.00
Blue Mountain ..	24,000.00
Mississippi Woman's College ..	24,000.00
Mississippi College ..	800.00
	\$578,800.00

Debts on Institutions

Miss. College Alumni ..	\$185,000.00
Internal indebtedness ..	11,000.00
	\$196,000.00
Blue Mountain Alumni ..	18,000.00
Internal indebtedness ..	65,000.00
	\$ 83,000.00

Mississippi Woman's College ..	\$100,000.00
Hospital ..	\$ 50,000.00
Orphanage ..	
Clarke College ..	\$ 5,500.00

Convention Needs

Coop. Program as of 1939.....	\$ 102,000.00
Provisions for our enlarged state program:	
Min. Ret. Plan ..	4,000.00
B. S. U. ....	2,000.00
S. S. and B. T. U. ....	3,500.00
Evangelism ..	5,000.00
W. M. U. ....	1,000.00
Pastors' Support ..	7,500.00
Church Buildings ..	5,000.00
Total.....	\$ 128,000.00
For five years ..	\$ 640,000.00

Grand Total ..	\$1,218,800.00
Repair old endowment ..	40,000.00
New endowment ..	115,000.00
Total.....	\$155,000.00
Grand Total ..	\$351,500.00
Repair old endowment ..	35,000.00
New endowment ..	200,000.00

Total.....	\$235,000.00
Grand Total ..	\$318,000.00
Repair old endowment ..	60,000.00
New endowment ..	200,000.00
Total.....	\$260,000.00
Grand Total ..	\$360,000.00

	\$ 50,000.00
	50,000.00
	\$ 5,000.00
	\$ 10,500.00
Interest ..	\$125,000.00
Campaign Expenses ..	50,000.00
	\$175,000.00
Total Needs ..	\$2,485,300.00
If \$360,000 representing debts and needs of Woman's College is eliminated, total need would then be.....	\$2,125,300.00

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# EDITORIALS

## IS DEMOCRACY A POLITICAL SLOGAN, A MIRAGE OR AN IDEAL?

We do not need to apologize for our interest in democracy, or our frequent discussion of it in these pages. To our minds it is the most essential element in political faith; and it is an essential element in religious faith, or in the Christian religion. But that is anticipating. We are anxious that our people shall study out the answer to the question asked above: Is Democracy a mere political slogan; or an elusive mirage; or a worthy and measurably attainable ideal?

Take these items in the above order. Is democracy a mere political slogan, a lip service paid to a great principle merely to rally people to some brand of politics. Mind you we are not talking about partisan politics, except in so far as any brand of politics seeks to use words to confuse men's minds for selfish ends.

Democracy is supposed to be practically synonymous with Americanism, and the American principle of government. It is popular to lift the banner and have inscribed on it Americanism or Democracy. And anybody who wishes to curry favor with the public calls his article of faith by the popular title of Democracy. We sorely need to go back and study from the meaning of words and from all history what Democracy is.

It is to laugh when you hear a Catholic "prelate" or "dignitary," archbishop, cardinal or whatnot roll out sonorously the word "Democracy." These "monsignors," "His Grace," or "His Excellency," with titles borrowed from monarchy and autocracy, and with official clothes as well as titles resplendent with regal pomp, speak of "Democracy" as if it were an old friend of theirs, when God knows they have never believed in freedom for the individual nor in parity or equality among Christians. With them it is a catch penny phrase to catch the breeze of popular favor. The last thing they would ever want is for a man to think for himself, or act independently. But Barnum said that people like to be humbugged. And it can be done with political slogans.

Again there are people who have come to believe that democracy is a mere mirage. They tell you that it is a product of visionaries, and is impractical and impossible in this catch as catch can world of ours. They regard it as a fever that breaks out in mild or in violent form in various parts of the world occasionally and then subsides as men return to normal condition. They say look at Israel under the Judges, and David put an end to it. Look at Greece in its youth to be destroyed by Philip of Macedon. Look at Rome in its adolescence to be superseded by Julius and Augustus Cæsar. Look at the violent outbreak in the French Revolution, which Thomas Carlyle ridiculed. And they say America is going the way of all the world. "Democracy is only a mirage which mocks the thirsty soul seeking for liberty. A picture painted on the clouds to fade as the sun sets or rises."

And there are still some who cling in simple faith to the principle of Democracy, with love for what it means and hope for what it promises. They believe in their souls that Christ lived and died and rose again to make men free. They still call to men to stand fast in the liberty with which Christ hath made us free. They are jealous of every infringement on the inalienable and blood-bought rights of the souls of men to have access without permission, hindrance by ecclesiastical or political overlords.

They call no man Master, but are willing that all shall be brethren. They do not believe that any little group or coterie of men should determine the policies of a local church nor of any religious body. They believe that we all have access to God in one Spirit through Jesus Christ.

They believe that all men have equal rights before the laws of men, and that all men should have equal opportunities through education to self development, and in industry for advancement. They believe that this right does not be-

long to one class or group or race alone, but that it is the right of every man.

They know that this is an ideal; that it has not been attained anywhere. But that it is an ideal which should never be denied or lost sight of. They know there are difficulties in the way of attainment, that there is need of patience and perseverance. But the denial of this right or refusal of it or failure to follow the ideal is a sin against democracy and a destroyer of the fundamental rights of men. It is a favorite use of diplomats to say that they agree in principle to any measure proposed and then turn and seek to rend it in pieces. Such hypocrisy does not belong to the Christian faith.

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## POSITIVE CHRISTIAN VIRTUES

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In discussing the latter part of the fourth chapter and the first part of the fifth chapter of Ephesians, our attention has been called to the sins or vices which destroy the Christian life. These belong to the negative side. They are the things which we ought not to do. But that is far from being the whole of the Christian life. Taken alone they do not constitute the Christian life at all, for that is not a negative but a positive something. The absence of evil does not constitute Christianity. There is and must be a positive element. Our religion is not a series of don'ts, a catalogue of prohibitions. "Thou shalt not" is a law phrase. Thou shalt is a gospel conception.

No one can read the passages in Ephesians above referred to and not see that the positive side of our religion is the most important part of it. All the military strategists are agreed that no war is won by fighting a defensive action. The best defensive is an offensive. Paul is not simply against lying, stealing, anger, lust and covetousness. In every case he urges a positive virtue to uproot and destroy the sin.

When he says putting away falsehood, it is that he may make way for. "Speak ye truth each one with his neighbor." Falsehood must be supplanted with its opposite, with truth. It is not sufficient for the demon to be cast out, the house must be occupied, or he will return with seven other demons and the last estate will be worse than the first. It is not enough to quit lying, we must assume the responsibility to make known the truth. A witness for God is not dumb.

Paul does not stop with saying, "Steal no more." But he insists that we shall labor with our hands, working with our hands that which is good, that we may have whereof to give to him that hath need. Turn the tables completely around, and instead of taking from others, give to others; and work that you maybe able to do it.

And in the matter of pure speech and conduct. It is not enough to "let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth." But see that it is such as is good for needful edifying that it may give grace to them that hear. We are not to keep mum, we are to give our witness as Christians. It is not enough never to have said a bad word, nor any harmful word about anybody. That could be said of any dumb animal.

Again, don't be satisfied with not breaking out in anger, or cherishing malice, or bitterness. Paul says, "Be ye kind one to another, forgiving each other as God also in Christ forgave you. Be ye therefore imitators of God as beloved children, and walk in love as Christ also loved you." It is following the teaching of Jesus about loving your enemies and praying for them that have spoken evil of you. It is not easy, but it is quite possible, and it is the only Christian thing to do. It is like our Father in heaven, who sends his rain on the just and the unjust.

Christianity is a positive religion. If you have the genuine article it will overcome evil with good. Overcome the evil that is in others, and that which is in ourselves. Running water purifies itself. Stagnant water, however pure at first becomes putrid by remaining motionless.

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## THAT YOUR LOVE MAY ABOUND IN KNOWLEDGE

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You can't build a fire with wood. You can't build a fire without wood, or with some substitute fuel. Wood itself will not make a fire. It takes fire to make a fire. But wood is the material out of which fires are made. Wood has no actual heat in it, but you can make a mighty hot fire with wood.

Now just substitute in the above sentence the wood knowledge for wood. And you may substitute love for fire. Love is the origin, substance and support of the Christian religion. It began with "God so loved the world," and the love of God is "poured forth in our hearts by the Holy Spirit." "We love because He first loved us." The fire spreads. "Love is the fulfilling of the law." "You owe no man anything save to love one-another." And the whole of religion sums itself up in "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy soul and with all thy strength"; and thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

But just as a fire burns itself out and dies down to ashes, so will love have nothing to subsist on if it is not kept active by increase of knowledge. So Paul says, in Phil. 1:9, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge." Love depends on knowledge for its existence, for its continuance, for its coming to full expression. You can't love somebody you know nothing about. You can't love God, you can't love Jesus if you know nothing about him.

Christian love is entirely and intensely practical. It is not a mere warm feeling in your heart. It is a pleased interest in somebody. It is the going out of the soul in concern for some one. It is a desire to render them some service, whether the object of our love be God or man. If we know God truly, we know something of His wisdom and goodness, and our response is a desire to honor Him for His wisdom and to show our gratitude for His goodness. And the more we know of Him, the greater the desire to honor Him.

If we know men, we know something of their weakness and their wickedness. This arouses our desire to help them, and provokes our efforts to bring them what they need. Hence Christian beneficence, missions, evangelism, efforts to save men, and to supply their physical needs, and bring them to their best possible estate as the children of God. Christian compassion provides a way, a program to meet these needs.

Now everybody knows, or ought to know, that there would be no sustained interest in men's needs, now abiding and abounding love in our hearts for them, if we knew nothing of them, or of their needs. Love would avail us or them nothing at all. We would fail as Christians for lack of practical expression of love. And the people in need would derive no benefit from us as the instruments or expression of the love of God. Love must have something to maintain itself upon and through which it may reach its object.

William Carey made maps of heathen lands and kept them before his eyes. A man gives to missions today, or to the orphans or to the old preachers, or to the sick, or to Christian Education, because The Baptist Record and other Baptist papers, tell him about these people and these institutions. And so his love abounds more and more in knowledge and all discernment; he "approves the things that are excellent," he becomes "sincere," not a mere hypocritical pretender, void of offence, "filled with the fruits of righteousness which are through Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God."

You can do a man no better service than make it possible for him by reading his denominational paper, to find the outlet for his Christian love in service to a lost and needy world. There is no worse blindness than that which is indifferent to the development of Christian life and activity by withholding the knowledge from men who need it, the knowledge of the world's need and the way to meet it. It is criminal in leaders of a Church to estop plans or means of enlisting the Church



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The Southern Baptist Convention through a special committee this year is working as never before to help put the denominational paper in every Baptist home. It is time for everybody to lend a hand.

## THE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHURCHES

Editor E. C. Routh of the Baptist Messenger reports something of the speech of Doctor J. B. Witherspoon on proposed taxation by government for pensions for non-Ministerial Employees of Churches and religious institutions. We quote from The Messenger:

The rapid increase of government, he said, is a distinctive mark of the Twentieth Century. Governments do not act by persuasion, but by coercion. The trend of government is from democracy to a totalitarian system. The Bill of Rights is being threatened.

Not many years ago many educational and religious leaders in this country were forecasting a glorious era, an era of peace and prosperity which they said was just around the corner. Then came Lenin, and Stalin, and Mussolini, and Hitler, who precipitated an era of economic fear and political defeat. There was a regimentation of life in every area. Religious liberty and political freedom were abridged. Totalitarianism attacked these achievements of democratic government, and institutions of religion were subjected to the authority of the state. The demand for social security cut across religious liberty. The idea here is to liquidate religion by recompense.

More serious was the legislation proposed for economic aid. The Social Security laws passed in 1935 exempted the church and church school. Then a little while ago someone introduced a bill denying exemption in the application of the Social Security Act to all except ordained ministers. Immediately a storm broke, for the proposed legislation involved taxation of religious institutions. It would grant the government the power not only to tax, but to examine these institutions and suggest control of them. Very recently a bill, which does not go quite so far, was introduced and provides that funds derived from taxation of churches and church institutions go into a special Security fund for this purpose. This does not change the principle of the issues involved. The bill proposes a special coin purse, but it is put in the same old handbag, as proposed in preceding bills. It is the same principle of coercion, with the same authority to regulate,—not a voluntary system.

The religious institutions could not come to the demands of the government if such legislation were passed. The enactment of such measures in the law would throw the nation into turmoil. We would have to fight again the old battle for religious liberty and separation of church and state. It is easier for us to protect these liberties and protest now, than to surrender and leave them to the next generation. We must protest against the enactment of such a law.

We raise another question. We are not indifferent to Social Security. Christian employees must not be neglected.

The meeting at Parkway Church, Jackson, closed Sunday night with 30 additions. Pastor Bell had Secretary McCall as evangelist. The congregations were excellent all the way through, and the Christians were edified.

Dr. Hart, long time a missionary to Argentina and Chile, made a missionary address at the Central Mississippi Pastors' Conference, meeting in Jackson Monday morning. He is attending some of the district associational meetings and our people should welcome the opportunity to hear him.

At First Church, Jackson, on last Sunday were dedicated the church chimes, given by the sons of Mr. T. M. Hederman and Mrs. Hederman and Mr. R. M. Hederman and his wife. This is a beautiful testimony of affection and a worthy way to honor ones father and mother. These will long make music to the glory of God and the delight of the worshippers.

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b ("Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe.")

### HOLLANDALE

Pastor E. L. Douglass gave us the privilege of preaching at Hollandale. The people were very cordial and friendly. Several spoke in glowing terms about their pastor. They hope to have the church debt paid by January 1. Hollandale is one of several Mississippi churches using busses to bring in people from nearby sections. Brethren J. S. Peyton and A. S. Treadway lead the Sunday school and B. T. U. Mrs. J. F. Scull is president of the W. M. U.

Record subscribers in Washington County are listed as follows: LELAND 168; TABERNACLE GREENVILLE 42; ARCOLA 31; DARLOVE 19; Greenville First 10; Hollandale 5; Percy 1; Way-side 1; Glen Allen 1.

### BENTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

This association met with Ashland church. Rev. J. B. Parker is pastor. Officers elected were: Rev. W. B. May, moderator; Rev. O. B. Renick Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Emma Simpson Clerk and W. B. Gresham, Treasurer. They had a well planned program and Moderator May knew how to take care of the time. We were given time to present the Baptist Record and the Cooperative Program while Dr. J. W. Beagle had a good place to tell about our Home Mission work. The Ashland church had a different but a very satisfactory way to feed the crowd.

Benton County's Record readers are listed below: Ashland 3; HICKORY FLAT 15; Canaan 2; Curtis Creek 1; Ashland RFD 1 and two churches are expected to have adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan before this appears in print.

### TIPPAH COUNTY ASSOCIATION

This was the first association we have attended this year that started on time. And Moderator J. S. (Sunshine) Riser stayed on time. Other officers are Rev. R. M. Lewis, Vice-Moderator; C. O. Gullette, Clerk; Dr. L. T. Lowrey, treasurer.

Pastor R. M. Lewis and the Falkner church were grade A-1 as hosts to the association. The program was well planned and well followed.

Record subscriptions are listed for Tippah County as follows: Shady Grove 1; BLUE MOUNTAIN 133; Chalybeate 6; Dumas 7; Route 4, Ripley 2; Route 1 Ripley 2; RIPLEY 71; Route 1 Tiplersville 1; Providence 2; Walnut 14; Route 2 Walnut 1; Route 1 Blue Mountain 1; Pine Grove 2. One church adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan before we left and three others expect to in a very few days.

### EVERY FAMILY PLAN PAYS IN TIPPAH COUNTY

The minutes list 27 churches in the Tippah Association. There are two EVERY FAMILY churches in the Association. Total gifts for missions and benevolence of the two EVERY FAMILY churches amounted to \$2912.74. All the other 25 churches are recorded as giving \$239.52. The Every Family Plan does help.

### WALNUT

Rev. O. C. Hicks is pastor at Walnut. With 14 individual subscribers at Walnut the pastor is anxious to see the EVERY FAMILY Plan installed and hopes to do so very soon. A recent addition to the church is the beautiful baptistry with a cseene from the River Jordan as a background. We could almost see the water running.

### SAYS PASTOR JORDAN

"The Record is coming in fine and is doing good work in some homes." Morton, Miss. That is what we claim—that the Record will help.

### MARSHALL COUNTY ASSOCIATION

There'll be no better dinner served at any association than the Slayden ladies served to the Marshall Association. Dr. W. C. Sandusky was re-elected Moderator and after seeing him in action we feel that the Marshall County Baptists know a good moderator when they see him. Boyd Watkins and C. D. Collins were re-elected clerk and treasurer. Rev. W. E. Lee preached a stimulating sermon and several others brought well-prepared reports and messages. The people interested in The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan and some hope to adopt it a their next preaching service.

Marshall County now has Record listed as follows: PLEASANT GROVE 12 Rt. Byhalia 1; HOLLY SPRINGS 104; Pleasant Hill 1; BYHALIA 30; Clear Creek 10; Slayden 6.

### LEE COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Plantersville church and Pastor F. V. McFatridge provided excellent entertainment for the Lee County Association. Officers elected were Rev. W. E. Ferguson Moderator; Vice Moderator Rev. F. V. McFatridge; Clerk, B. J. Estes; Treasurer, Ernest McCarty.

Although we could only be present the second day the association was very patient and arranged for us to present the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan and for Dr. J. L. Hart and Dr. J. W. Beagle to tell about our Foreign and Home Mission work.

Lee County's Record readers are listed as follows: PLANTERSVILLE 63; VERONA 43; BALDWIN 40; SHANNON 24; BREWER 19; TUPELO 14; Richmond 11; Nettleton 4; Sherman 2; Saltillo 2; R. 3, Tupelo 2; R. 2 Tupelo 2; Belden 1; Harrisburg 1; AND four churches are now considering the EVERY FAMILY Plan and we expect them any day.

Dr. Gordon Hurlbutt is pastor of Lithia Church in Florida. The building has recently been re-decorated.

Nero made himself notorious by fiddling while Rome burned. He hasn't mucle on some members of the American Congress.

Brother H. I. Rushing has returned to Mississippi after pastorates in Arkansas and Texas. From Jones Bayou and Dockery he greets his brethren. His post office is Shaw. He preached and led the singing in both meetings. There have been 42 additions, 30 of them by baptism. The two churches have given him four down-pours, sometimes called showers. Glad you're back.

A sub-committee, composed by M. E. Coleman, chairman, M. E. Dodd, C. C. Morris, J. Herrick Hall, H. C. Bass, and S. F. Lowe, of the Radio Committee S. B. C. met in Atlanta on Thursday, Sept. 5th to make plans looking toward a Southern Baptist Broadcast in 1941. Two members of the sub-committee, viz: R. H. Coleman and J. R. Weatherspoon, were unavoidably prevented from attending. More definite announcement of details of such broadcast will be made in the early fall.

A new church was organized recently seven miles northeast of New Augusta. An advisory council composed of members from New Augusta, Prospect and Indian Springs churches recommended the organization. Eleven charter members with letters from other churches went into the new church and five were soon afterward received for baptism. Articles of faith and church covenant were adopted. The church took the name of Kennedy Baptist Church, in honor of brethren Jess and Joe Kennedy. Brethren Coney Ammons and Buford Gillis were chosen deacons and will be ordained Sept. 15.—O. P. Moore.

Fifteen by baptism and eight by letter were received into Providence Church in Lawrence County where the writer recently assisted brother J. B. Hunt in a meeting. Brother Catt of Monticello who led the large congregations in gospel singing impressed us with his consecration and skill in leadership. The grove prayer meetings were a helpful feature. Hospitality was in evidence everywhere. Fortunate is the church that has J. B. Hunt as pastor. Consecrated, cultured, sympathetic, well poised, he is justly loved by his people.—S. G. Pope.



### YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHRISTIANITY

By Wm. James Robinson, D.D.

That there is much worldliness in our churches no one will deny; and that our young people are very frivolous all will readily admit.

Who will name a generation innocent of these charges? It is very likely true that the worldliness and the frivolity differed in type from what we have today, but at heart it was just about the same. The churches of the New Testament period were far from being composed of perfect persons.

Some good brethren seem to delight in hurling philippics at our young people because of their worldliness and gross inconsistencies. That many of them are very worldly I readily admit, and sincerely regret that it is true. But what about their parents. Are many of them worthy of being called exemplary? What do you say? I answer emphatically—No! Without a generation of criterions you will never produce a generation of well poised youth. The parents are old enough to be wise enough to live nobly, but most of them are not doing it. Think these things through.

The New Testament has only one plan of salvation; and knows only two classes of persons. Impenitents and penitents—lost sinners and sinners saved by grace. It has only one standard of Christian character and conduct. "I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake. I write unto you, fathers, because you have known him that is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because you have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father. I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young man, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." (I Jno. 2:12-15).

Notice the restriction that is applied to all: "Love not the world . . . If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." John notes three classes according to age—little children, young men, fathers—but as Christians he places them all in the same category, and under the same restrictions. The Bible knows nothing about a double standard of morals, and it knows nothing about two standards of spirituality.

That many children have been converted, I am exceedingly happy to admit. My own conversion occurred when I was little more than nine years old. If a child is converted he is saved eternally. Salvation is a heart, a spiritual, experience. The obligations of church membership require a more comprehensive degree of intelligence. No one should be admitted to church membership who can not give convincing evidence of conversion. The fact that a child says he loves the Lord is not convincing evidence of conversion. You can easily induce any child who has been taught about Jesus to say he loves him, and perhaps he sincerely does. I can not recall the time when I did not love the Lord, but I can recall the time when I was converted.

"Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations." (Rom. 14:1). "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification" (Rom. 15:1, 2). This by no means justifies us in receiving into church membership any one unless we have reason to believe he sincerely purposes to walk circumspectly before God and men. Church membership is no place for those who are too weak to be sincere, and certainly it is no place for those who are insincere.

That many under their teens, as well as older, have been converted is undeniable. That these can live blameless Christian lives has been demonstrated in multitudes of instances. Since the New Testament has only one standard for all church members all regardless of age are expected "to be fervent in spirit serving the Lord."

What have young people a right to expect of

their seniors when they join a church. They certainly have a right to expect to find a godly pastor, sympathetic, fraternal and always ready to be helpful. In this they are seldom disappointed. But what about the deacons, Sunday school officers and teachers? And what about the B. T. U. leadership? Here they often meet disappointment that crushes. Who will deny that many in these groups are grossly inconsistent? Certainly deacons, Sunday school teachers and officers and B. T. U. leaders should be men and women truly exemplary—unquestionably spiritually minded, and ready to lead young Christians into deep spiritual experiences. Their conduct should glow with holiness, and their words testify to the value of Christian rectitude. But do they?

No parent would think for a moment of sending his children to a school where the faculty was dominated by numskulls, intellectual freaks, moral delinquents and others utterly incapable of causing pupils to hunger and thirst for knowledge. But these same parents see their children join churches shot through and through with worldliness and never whimper. They can not afford to because they are leaders in worldliness, and strangers to spirituality, and sin has blinded their eyes and so hardened their hearts that they are unconscious of their wickedness and think the truly pious are eccentric simpletons. Spirituality, true piety, is certainly at a low ebb in many of our churches. Before we criticize our young people we should lead their elders to repentance.

I confess that it is hard for young people to live deeply spiritual lives in many of our churches. But it can be done!

But they must be Daniels to do it. "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself" (Dan. 1:8). We need young men who will go to the fiery furnace rather than bow down to an idol. And we need a host of every age who will say: "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:28). And then do it regardless of cost.

"The glory of young men in their strength" (Prov. 20:25). "Bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having the promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come" (I Tim. 4:8). Adults should so live as to make it easy for young people to delight in godliness, but their failure does not justify young people in failing. Every one must answer for himself.

Kansas City, Mo.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION OF TWENTY

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6. We recommend that the Convention urge that all gifts of Mississippi Baptists to the Convention and her agencies be sent through the office of the Convention Board.

7. We recommend that the fiscal year of the Mississippi Baptist Convention work be closed on September 30 each year instead of October 31, and that audits of institutions and agencies be made immediately thereafter, and that a summary of such audits be printed in the Baptist Record two weeks before the annual session of the Convention.

A. B. PIERCE, Chairman.

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The goal for the Sunday School Rally Day at First Church, Columbus, is 1,000. Schools are opening and there is new life in the community.

Associations meeting next week are: Jasper at Pine Grove, Sept. 17 (night) and 18; Tate County at Strayhorn, Sept. 19; Alcorn at Tishomingo Chapel, Sept. 19-20.

With Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Williams as hosts about 30 of those at Baptist Headquarters in Jackson enjoyed an evening picnic at Spring Lake one evening last week. Barbecued chicken and all the rest.

Pastor H. W. Roberson will begin a revival meeting in Brandon Church the first Sunday in October, the pastor preaching each night for ten nights. Last Sunday the house was filled and there were two conversions.

### MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMISSION OF TWENTY

(Continued from page 3)

We recommend that Mississippi Baptists make a five-year budget of all their debts and immediate needs, totalling in round numbers \$2,500,000.00. This includes \$102,000.00 for Cooperative Program, plus \$26,000.00 needed to strengthen and enlarge our work. One fifth of this amount budgeted is to be raised each year from the churches and individuals, etc., for five years. The regular Cooperative Program and interest are to be preferred items in this budget, receiving one-twelfth of the amount allocated each month. All other monies are to be prorated each month to the participating causes on a percentage basis.

This "Forward Movement" shall have appointed an advisory committee of seven consisting of pastors and laymen, whose duties shall be to select and employ a director, whose compensation they shall determine. Other workers needed are to be selected and employed by the director, upon approval of the committee. The committee is to serve in an advisory capacity in all other matters pertaining to the movement,—except actual expenses,—without compensation.

The following are some reasons offered in support of the report and program:

1. We believe this to be the fair, equitable and business-like manner in which to handle all our obligations and needs. This is in line with progressive, present-day methods.

2. We believe it is possible. At the time our larger educational program was launched in Mississippi, receipts were considerably more than \$400,000 per year. Mississippi Baptists have as much or more money now, and we have more Baptists now than we had 18 years ago. It would average only 15c per month each. If only half were enlisted, it would be only 30c per month, or about \$3.60 per year for five years.

3. It will call for the unity of effort and purpose among all our people, which is lacking just now, which unity and purpose is a growing need at the present time.

4. It is imperative now because of the distress of one of our schools. By the loss of Clarke College our whole educational program was weakened. That will be tragically true again if we allow another one of our schools to close.

5. It will call for the much-needed preaching of the doctrine of stewardship and tithing.

6. This program will enable Mississippi Baptists to carry out the contractual promise made at the Grenada Convention, to complete the endowment of our schools. The step taken by the Meridian Convention, that indicated that they were not going to carry out that promise, affected our rating with the Southern Association of Colleges, caused faith and confidence in Mississippi Baptists to be shaken, and jeopardized the endowment of our two girls' schools.

7. By this intensified effort Mississippi Baptists will save more than \$200,000.00 in interest alone, which is sufficient to complete the endowment of one of our schools.

8. This tremendous task will offer an opportunity and call for the enlistment of the manpower of our churches, through Brotherhoods and other organizations, that will enable us to move forward to victory.

9. It will free our churches to go afield in a greater and more worthy New Testament program.

10. It will greatly deepen the spiritual life of our people. Such a large task will call all of us to humility and prayer. The enlistment of the large number of workers required, all the advertisement given our work, and all the multiplied efforts put forth to accomplish this task, will greatly magnify our Lord, and bring the largest ingathering of souls in all of our history.

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Yellow Leaf meeting began the third Sunday in August and ran through Friday night. J. G. Lott of Memphis did the preaching. We had large crowds and the spiritual atmosphere was fine. Four came by letter and 13 for baptism. May God's grace abound more and more is the sincere desire of the pastor.—S. H. Shepherd.



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# STATE MISSIONS

W. M. U. WEEK OF PRAYER, SEPTEMBER 16-19  
SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY, OCTOBER 27  
SOME FRUITS OF OUR LABORS



1. The Farmhaven Baptist Church. The blueprint and necessary financial assistance was given by the Board. Organized, 1925; dedicated, 1939.
2. Basement of the Van Winkle Baptist Church, aided by State Missions, is being used as House of Worship until more can be added.

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The minds of many are confused as to items in State Missions.

Evangelism is included generously in State Missions. We have two full time evangelists and help another.

B. S. U. work is State Mission work.

Sunday School work and Baptist Training Union work come under State Missions.

Some Indian and Negro work is done through State Missions.

Clarke College is aided through State Missions.

Ministers Retirement is under State Missions.

Your Secretary is State Mission Secretary, promoting State Missions, yet he promotes all the work at the same time. Therefore, the expenses of this office come out of Cooperative Program receipts before distribution is made.

The Baptist Record is a State project, personnel is elected by the Board, yet it promotes all the Causes. Therefore, expense for this department comes out of the Cooperative Program receipts before distribution.

The W. M. U. department promotes all phases of the work. There, expense comes out of Cooperative Program receipts. It is a State organization, the budget and possibly field personnel being submitted for approval to the Board in annual session.

A new State Mission tract is off the press. Write for it. "Our Own Vineyard Have WE Not Kept" is the title.

## II

### MORE STATE MISSIONS

Last year through the goodness of our God and the cooperation of the brethren we had the privilege of preaching His Gospel in 375 stated services, seeing 336 reconsecrations, 2 churches or-

ganized, 6 missions conducted, 95 additions, 76 for baptism, baptized 15, 164 asking for prayer. We travelled 40,000 miles in a car doing this work and rode about 5,000 on the train.

We made 79 associations, meaning we made them all and repeated at 4. Doxology!

## III

While on vacation we were privileged to be in 3 services on Sunday at Spencer Memorial, V. C. Windham, pastor, in Jackson County.

At the building dedication in the morning we spoke on "Buildings of the Bible." Several consecrations. Moderator Brock was present. Pastor Faggard came in during the afternoon. Fine pastors all!

House filled. Dinner on the ground.

In the afternoon 4 fine deacons ordained. All spoke of Christian parents and influence of church. Sermon subject, "A Daniel-like Deacon."

At night house packed. Spoke on "Seven Cries Heard Around the World." One by letter. Great day in His service.

Church made an offering to missions. Doxology! In turn it gets some help from our Board.

In home church for prayer meeting, B. S. U. in charge. Cleo Harris presided. Students Byrd and Wilkerson gave accounts of summer work. Most inspiring.

## IV

Participating pastors in Ministers Retirement have been outspoken about their certificates as they have received them.

One writes, "I received my certificate Tuesday, and am proud of it."

Then followed these words, "I congratulate you on the fine work you are doing and pledge to you anew my whole-hearted cooperation." Thanks! That helps!

## NOW CLUB

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## I

No. 582 for \$36, No. 583 for \$36, No. 584 for \$36, No. 585 for \$36, No. 214 for \$50, No. 215 for \$50, No. 150 for \$100, No. 151 for \$100, No. 152 for \$100, each from a member of Steens Creek Church, (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 736 for \$36, member Picayune Church, (W. M. U.)

No. 737 for \$36, No. 738 for \$36, No. 739 for \$36, No. 740 for \$36, each from a member of Stonewall Church, (W. M. U.)

Another writes: "The policy is very gratifying and I surely believe it will give added impetus to the Cause.

Your monthly messages encourage us greatly and we hope not to disappoint you.

Praying God's blessing on you and the work so dear to your heart."

## V

It might be of interest and profit to many of our 272,000 Mississippi Baptists to know in detail how their Lord's money is handled at this office.

Some bring it in person. Most treasurers send it via mail. Two persons here in the office open the letters and check on money enclosed. The bookkeeper writes and sends receipts for each contribution. She also makes up the deposit for the bank.

From the time the money reaches this office until it reaches the bank it is in the hands of a bonded employee of this office.

Contributions are then posted on the books of the office. Each church in Mississippi has a page. A few pages are blank. The large majority have entries made.

The books close promptly the last day of each month.

Between the 1st and 10th, usually near the 1st, distribution of funds is made to various objects for which the funds were given.

Every penny of designated funds is sent on.

Overhead and promotional costs are taken from the Cooperative Program, a rather small fractional part, and the balance is distributed on an established percentage basis.

So safe, so Scriptural, so successful are Southern Baptist and Mississippi Baptist plans until they lead the world in evangelism, teaching and training gains and have a tremendous mission force around the world.

We have absolute confidence in the personnel of our office, yet, we all realize the tremendously big business Mississippi Baptists carry on for our Lord must conform to best methods.

Our books are open for inspection at any time during office hours. We periodically publish records of receipts and disbursements. We always like for these to be checked by the "folks back home." We have an annual audit by a C.P.A. and present same to both Board and Convention.

We would not forget "we serve the King of kings."

## BR

Dr. Frank Moody Purser of Oxford will make the opening address of the sixty-eighth annual session of Blue Mountain College when it opens at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

On Sunday night, August 25 Pastor C. E. Patch of Baldwin came to help the Saltillo church in a week of revival services. It was truly a glorious meeting. The Lord was with us in every service and the preacher brought fine messages with mighty power. The church was certainly revived. Twenty-three professed faith in Christ and 20 were baptized. Eleven were added by letter, two of whom were active deacons. We praise the Lord.—F. G. Wilborn, Pastor.



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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We have tried to be faithful in giving information concerning State Mission needs in Mississippi through this page in Baptist Record and in the program material for the Margaret Lackey Season of prayer. I trust each society is ready for the best observance of the season of Prayer for State Missions we have ever had. Abide in Him.—abound in gifts! Then our goal of \$10,000 will be reached.

### CLARK COLLEGE—A MESSAGE FROM THE TRUSTEES

Mrs. W. D. Cook

"When the world is at its worst, Christianity must be at its best". As it appears the world was never worse than it is today. Christianity must meet the challenge in individual lives, in homes, in public office as well as in organized church life.

Education, the true purpose of which is expressed in the following definition from our own Dr. J. B. Lawrence, must face the issue. "Education is the purposeful instruction, training and direction of the individual so as to develop in body and mind and soul all the beauty and perfection and power of which the individual is capable and to direct this developed individual in the field of noble service." Certainly this must be the mission of our christian colleges and therefore justifies their claim to our interest, our love, our sympathy, our prayers and our active cooperation and support in gifts of money and influence. In this service do not Baptists need to expand rather than retrench?

We realize that the tax supported schools with their more adequate financial resources and prestige can accommodate and do attract far greater numbers than our christian colleges, BUT, only a casual study of the product of our colleges will show the wisdom of going the "second mile" in maintaining our christian institutions as the leavening force in society.

Of course circumstances force retrenchment at times. Such was the case when our Baptist State Convention voted to discontinue the operation of Clarke Memorial College at Newton. The property was left in the hands of a Board of Trustees, elected by the convention. The faculty alumnae and friends of the institution felt the college had not completed its usefulness and that it could still render a service without in any way competing with our senior colleges, in that it could operate at a lower price level through the personal adjustments and sacrifices of both faculty and student body, the cooperation of the trustees and alumnae association. So for three years the property has been leased to Mr. W. L. McMullan, a consecrated business man and loyal Baptist layman of Newton. He has worked untiringly and sacrificially to maintain the institution and to enable it to serve the purpose for which, under God, it was founded.

Feeling that the time has come for an educator to take over the management, Mr. McMullan has surrendered his lease and on his recommendation, Mr. F. E. May, a young man of sterling qualities, a native of Newton country a graduate of State Teachers College and a teacher of five years experience, who now with his wife, is doing graduate work at the University of Texas, was granted the lease of the property and will become the active president at the beginning of the 1940 session. For the past three years the school has had an average enrollment of 130. The past session there were thirty-two ministerial students—Thirty Baptist and two Methodists. There are 7 cottages on the campus for married students, erected and maintained by associations. Scott, Newton, Neshoba, Union, Winston, one by the Lee

Brothers, and one by the state Baptist Training Unions. The total cost per student for the entire session is as follows:

In the cottages, Rent free to ministerial students.

In the dormitories, \$173.00

Many worthy students financially unable to attend one of our senior colleges are thus enabled to get their Freshman and Sophomore training in a standard Christian college along with others on the same income level, where personal adjustments are easier and opportunities for personal development probably just as great.

The State Convention is now paying one thousand dollars a year to be applied on teachers salaries. Trustees and friends of the college are making some necessary repairs. The W. M. U. of the state is asked to cooperate;

I. By bringing this article to the attention of your membership (local and associational) and asking them to pray for the college—Its trustees, president, faculty and students—that all may become Kingdom Builders.

II. By turning worthy boys and girls who are not financially able to attend our senior colleges, to Clark College for Christian training.

III. By providing local or associational scholarships for outstanding characters unable to finance college training.

IV. By communicating to the trustees any suggestions you may have regarding the property and to Mr. May, the president, any suggestion for making Clarke College a greater asset in Kingdom Building as it trains youth for Christian service.

Final date for entry in the Home Mission Board poster contest open to all Y. W. A. members is October 1, according to Joe W. Burton, publicity secretary.

Rules of the contest as formulated by Miss Juliette Mather, Southwide W. M. U. Young People's Leader, and the Board's publicity secretary, are as follows:

(1) The poster shall illustrate the theme of the 1941 March Week of Prayer for Home Missions: "I am debtor . . . Am I ready?" (Rom. 1:14-15) or the theme of the week of prayer preparatory book, *The Trail of Seed*.

It is to be noted that the theme is to be applied to Home Missions, the verses from Romans suggesting the Christian's responsibility to the groups on Home Mission fields and questioning his readiness to meet this obligation. The poster should illustrate our obligations to Home Mission needs and our readiness to meet them.

The preparatory study *The Trail of Seeds* to be written by Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, will cover particularly the work which has been done in the past decade with special emphasis on the present program among hungry and forgotten peoples in the homeland, and the unfinished task of Home Missions.

In illustrating this theme the words, "The Trail of Seeds by Una Roberts Lawrence," and no others, should appear on the poster, since the winning design may be used as a cover for the book.

Contestants may select either one of these two themes.

(2) Posters will be judged on a basis of:

- (a) Home Mission message .....75%
- (b) Attractiveness .....15%
- (c) Technique .....10%

(3) Posters may be made in any three colors, the background being considered one color. Whatever colors are used, a black and white drawing of the same size as the poster must also be submitted.

(4) The drawing shall be on the regular poster size cardboard, 22 by 28 inches.

(5) Each poster submitted shall become the property of the Home Mission Board, to be used in any way, according to the discretion of the Board.

(6) Posters must reach the office of the Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Georgia, by October 1, 1940.

(7) Two awards will be given by the Home Mission Board: \$15 for the winning design; and \$10 for the second best.

The decision of the judges will be final.

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### CHRISTIAN SECURITY

Throughout the ages men have endeavored to find security. The prudent have sought to look ahead and protect themselves against dangers and cries that the future might hold in store for them. It is well that people be thrifty and that they take the longer look, but frequently one of the tragedies in the realm of human disappointment has been man's effort to provide himself with security.

We have trusted in governments and in various fraternal and cooperative organizations and efforts. We have seen men and women who felt that they had protected themselves against want and old age, who strove to safeguard themselves against sickness, who endeavored to build walls about themselves that could not be scaled by certain enemies they feared and who when they felt secure suddenly their security vanished and they stood or lay helpless before the foes they had feared.

One of the things that life teaches us very conclusively is the fact that we have no real security apart from the grace of God in Jesus Christ. Let us examine it briefly.

God has never promised that we would not have trial, adversities, and harrowing experiences of the worst sort. In fact it is very clear from the Bible that "many are the afflictions of the righteous."

This, also, is true, God has committed himself in the scriptures to sustain and lead unto triumph ultimately all those who seek spiritual security in him. This triumph means victory over death, hell, and the grave after our earthly pilgrimage. This triumph also means that the faithful servant of Christ who looks unto God as his refuge, as his light, hope, strength, and salvation will be sustained regardless of what may befall him. Like Paul and Silas with bleeding backs in the depths of the Philippian dungeon, he will have songs for his midnights. Like David of old, he will be able to encourage himself in the Lord.

By all means every man and woman of us should look unto the Lord our God from whom cometh our help. He only can preserve us and give us the security we need. We can trust him without fear in the confidence that his mercy will not fail, that his love will not forget and that the power of his grace will forever be adequate.

—N. W. C.

—BR—

Our field gave \$67.00 (plus some cents) to British Mission Relief. Mrs. Hill gave \$46.00; Mt. Olive \$21.00—S. G. Pope, pastor.

President Roosevelt is said to have advised young men in college to stay in college rather than go into the army.

The new government in Rumania has already indicated its purpose to renew the persecution of Baptists which was discontinued a year ago because of pressure of Baptists in America and Great Britain.



# Among Mississippi State Mission Pastors



Above are the pictures of many of the missionaries who are partly supported by State Mission Funds. They are: 1. M. C. Nelson, 2. Hugh Conwill, 3. J. H. Sherman, 4. A. J. Linton, 5. E. S. Flynt, 6. W. H. Wood, 7. R. O. Bankston, 8. J. R. Eubanks, 9. B. F. Odom, 10. W. H. Branyan, 11. Roy Self, 12. Herbert Herrington, 13. R. H. Thompson, 14. W. E. Lee, 16. J. A. Fortner, 17. R. E. Downing, 18. Leroy Boland, 19. W. C. Hamilton, 20. C. F. Anglin, 21. Jim Smith, 22. H. H. Ward, 23. E. J. Blackford, 24. J. R. G. Hewlett, 25. A. G. Graham, 26. L. D. Sellers, 27. W. S. Allen, 28. A. H. Childress.

We were unable to get photographs of the following: E. C. Farr, L. W. Hall, S. E. McAdory, L. P. Petty, W. S. Landrum, J. F. Sullivan, C. J. Olander, J. S. Deaton, James J. Roberts, Luther K. Turner, C. S. Mullins, V. C. Windham, B. T. Bishop, M. Walker, L. J. Crumby, J. E. Kinsey, M. C. Roland.

Below are some of the main facts about these mission fields as submitted by their pastors. Space forbids extended accounts but in other issues we hope to give in full some of the fine reports submitted.

Calvary Jones Co., A. J. Linton, pastor, "Brotherly love and sweet fellowship is unexcelled. Cooperation is as good as a pastor could wish. Few in number weak financially, strong spiritually."

Saul's Valley, Lawrence County, Herbert Herrington, pastor, "We are not 'Lilly Baptists'. Our plans for this year include remodeling our building. Our budget is complete and our crowds are growing."

Ozark Church, Itawamba county, A. G. Graham, pastor, "From six members in 1935, we have grown to 60 or 65. Rev. E. D. Estes has greatly helped us."

New Prospect, DeSoto County, W. E. Lee, pastor, "Is situated in village of Lewisburg. Have gone from afternoon to morning service. A thickly settled community."

Hollywood, Quitman County, J. E. Kinsey, pastor, "Is in a very thickly settled community and no other church nearby, we have just completed a new church building—hosts of unsaved, old and young."

Salem Church, Tate County, L. W. Hall, pastor, "We have organized a Sunday school and a mid-week prayer meeting. You can expect something for missions before the year is out. This is a big opportunity."

Morgan City, Leflore County, C. J. Olander, pastor, "Built parsonage and church (brick). No debt, W. M. U. Standard A1, Sunday school enrollment equal to church membership and not counting extension dept."

Bolton, Hinds County, L. P. Petty, pastor, "Organized in 1937 with ten members, now grown to 24. In April, the five women of the church organized a W. M. U. They aver-

age 16, some Catholics, some unchurched etc. We have started a building fund, subscribed to the Co-operative program, and voted to begin the EF plan in June and adopted the Retirement plan."

Daniels Church, Hinds County, J. S. Deaton, pastor, "Is three years old. Membership grown from 26 to around 250. Sunday school, B. T. U. and W. M. U. are growing. There were 75 additions last year. We are planning to add and educational annex."

Stonewall, Clarke County, J. A. Fortner, pastor, "There are 800 Baptist and Baptist preference in Stonewall and 250 members of Stonewall Church—90 additions last year."

Longview, Oktibbeha County, A. H. Childress, pastor, "Recently installed new seats, 49 additions to church under present pastor. Fine spirit."

Pleasant Hill, Smith County, R. O. Bankston, pastor, "Fine people and fine opportunity. Sunday school growing. Some repair work done and study courses planned."

Topeka Lawrence County, M. D. Nelson, pastor, "Have new building. Plan to organize a B. T. U. by July, and expect to have a V. B. S."

Pleasant Ridge, Itawamba County, Hugh Conwill, pastor, "During the year we have built and paid for church, have had 23 additions and two set apart as preachers."

Mt. Moriah and Old Ham, Tishomingo County, R. E. Downing, pastor, "We have the EF plan and a good Sunday School. We are especially proud of our B. T. U."

Pass Christian, W. S. Allen, pastor, "Pass Christian is a child of State Missions having been organized by the the nstate evangelist, D. Wade Smith and his singer, Otis Perry. (Note—A later article will give a more complete story.) From ten the membership has grown to 159. A new church has been built."

Bay St. Louis, W. S. Allen, pastor, "Bay St. Louis is a Catholic stronghold but God prospers the Baptists despite handicaps that are usual in such a situation."

Tabernacle, Greenville, J. R. Eubanks, pastor, "From an idea in one Board members' mind to a full time church in a few months is our record. The membership now numbers 150. We have a flourishing Sunday school, B. T. U.'s, W. M. U., and Brotherhood and the EF plan. We have a church house and lot valued at \$3800 and owe less than \$200."

Pharsalia, Panola County, J. R. G. Hewlett, pastor, "During the morning Service last November the church burned but the spirit of the people became hotter and by real sacrifice a new and better building has been erected on the 'pay as you go' plan, thanks to the help of the State

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by  
L. Bracey Campbell

Lesson for Sunday, Sept. 15  
**THE EVER-PRESENT GOD**  
Bible Text: Psalm 139

Introduction: Are you reading these Psalms? Come now! It will do you little good to read what anybody says about them unless you read them. If you would do what would please me better than for you to read what I have to say about this Psalm, you would put this paper down, pick your Bible up, and read this Psalm over. Read it as rapidly as you please once and then read it over broodingly. Then read it over again and see how often the first personal pronoun occurs in it, I, my, me. Now go back and read it again and put your name in the place in each one of these personal pronouns, make it your psalm—treat it as your psalm of praise and adoration and confession and submission. Now read it again, and notice how often the name for your God appears in it—both His name and the pronouns which refer to Him. You will begin to see how this psalm just concerns two people—you and your God.

I commend this as a method of study in the case of the psalm not only but of all the psalms. Have you ever read them all? There are one hundred and fifty of them. Of course, you will have favorites among them even as I, but you ought to read all of them and I tell you what you will find, you will find that they are largely made up of confession, declaration of surrender, of worship, of praise, of adoration. These psalms are aspiration of the soul toward God. They express the upreach of the arms of the heart toward the almighty. They tell of the effort of a soul to lift its brow to God's kiss of peace, to stretch its hands up to the comforting clasp of his hands, of the effort of all the inner-self to come into communion with the heavenly Father.

Now do you know that is the way strong lives are made? Strong lives are not made by someone's running hither and yon in the doing of so-called "Christian work." A woman's heart may grow sore while she is taking a religious census. A man may grow hot and bothered while he is training a choir to sing. Now let me shock you: a preacher may grow cold of heart while working long hours on the composition of a sermon. The activities that keep people warm toward God, that give them the exercise in which their hearts grow strong in the grace of the Lord are upward-reaching activities. Your activities may reach out to the ends of the earth but if at the same time the arms of your heart do not reach up to the arms of the almighty your life may grow bare and sere.

The supreme value of these psalms is that they bend the gaze upward, that they lift the heart God-ward, that they lift the heart God-ward, of heaven, that they key the tongue of the soul to sing the grace of God,

I tell you that there is more of worth than in anything else of which I know in the fact that the spiritually minded can come to the point where he can exclaim, "How precious also are thy thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!" I am pleading with you now to take your Bible and read this psalm, over and over, yielding yourself to the spell of it, launching your soul into the stream of the thought of it until you are wafted away upon the ample bosom of this wonderful river of praise. I almost decide against any attempt to uncouple it, to unjoint it, to dissect it, to analyze it but that process is demanded of a preacher in his dealing with a passage of scripture. So I offer you this convenient outline.

I. God's perfect knowledge. Vs. 1-6.  
Of course, it is a fearful thought to the Godless; but what could be more sweet and reassuring to the faithful heart than the knowledge that God knows that heart absolutely. Nobody else so knows the heart. There is not a man or a woman among all the thousands who read these words but can recall times when he or she did his or her very best for God and suffered misunderstanding in the minds of people all 'round about. It is so very fine a refuge then and a source of such great comfort to be able to know that God understands, that he has searched the heart and has known it. It is also a sobering thought that God knows us ever so much better than we know ourselves, that he has marked out for us our ways when we do not at all know what is best for us or why.

II. The ever-present God. Vs. 7-12.  
We cannot hide our thoughts from God, no less can we hide our deeds from God. This again is a terrible thought for the Godless. The darkness of the night does not shroud his vicious deed. His distance from a given point does not remove him from the presence of God. "God is spirit," is everywhere present, interpenetrative like the ether. The width of the sea does not separate from Him, the height of the heavens is not above him, the depths of all profundity do not burrow beneath him: He is everywhere. But if this thought be fearsome to the Godless think how comforting it is to the Godly. They know that they cannot drift beyond His love and care. They know that if misfortunes come and disease casts the body down in pain, that the Great Physician bends above the sick couch in tender ministry to the suffering soul. They know that if poverty comes the Lord will break with his own their beggar's crust and transmute it into loaves of fine wheaton bread.

III. God's eternal knowledge. Vs. 13-18.

I wrote down this word eternal for want of a better one. The word "pre-natal" would hardly do though I want to express the thought that the psalmist says in this passage that God knew us before we were born. Did any of you parents ever dream of what your unborn baby would be like when he grew to be a man or she grew to be a woman? Well, God thought about you before you were born, but His thought was not merely a dream for he knew what you would be like. You can see at once how this would pre-

pare His pity for your weaknesses and His fatherly expectations of your strength.

IV. The Psalmist one with God in His abhorrence of evil. Vs. 19-24.

As the psalmist turned his eyes toward God, he turns his back on all evil. As his soul becomes enamoured of the beauty of God he becomes more abhorrent of every form of evil. Your guarantee of immunity from every form of sin is the closeness of your association with God. You have no other guarantee. Get your sons and daughters into company with God and the Godly and they will be just out of company with the devil and the devilish. Get them to sing the songs of Zion and they will come to dislike the songs of the black-bottom. Get them to love the services of God's house and they will have little commerce with the services of wicked-houses.

### MRS. HITLER WENT DOWN?

If that was the head line of the morning paper that would be some news would it not? Well I have seen a sight that beats that all to pieces. The Baptist Church at Neely, Miss. went down. Storm hit it and laid it flat. No they did not have any insurance. They are a struggling little band of people that love the Lord Jesus and now they have the heavy task of trying to build again.

You that read this, if the Lord should put it into your heart, and I am praying that he will; put an offering in an envelope right now and send it to deacon H. N. Breland, Neely, Miss. and when you get to heaven you will there find credit for the offering. For does not the word say something about not losing a reward for even a cup of cold water? No they did not ask me to do this but I feel the head of the church even Christ wanted me to tell you about it. Yes I have sent mine, now send yours.

Don't let the bride of Jesus go down for the want of friends to build him a house. The Neely Baptist church is worth more to that section of his kingdom than all other things in it. **Help those dear people put their house back.**

Thank you.

W. A. "Slick" Greene.

### RESPECT

Whereas God in his Infinite Love and Wisdom has called from our midst our sister and friend Mrs. L. E. Byrd, August 6, 1940.

Whereas in her going Liberty Baptist Church and W. M. S. have lost one of their most faithful members. She was ever loyal to her church and family. Always striving to do that was right in the sight of her Lord. She will be missed but our loss is heaven's gain.

Furthermore that a copy of this be sent to the family, spread on the minutes of the W. M. S. of Liberty Baptist Church and to the Baptist Record.

Mrs. J. P. Walsh  
Mrs. Jack Ewing  
Mrs. H. L. Jackson

Teacher: Use the word "triangle" in a sentence.

Willie: If fish don't bite on grasshoppers, triangle worms.

## A TRIBUTE TO OUR BELOVED CO-WORKER, MRS. J. S. JOOR

We, the members of the Rolling Fork Baptist Church, Sunday School, and Woman's Missionary Society, desire to honor the memory of our beloved Co-Worker, Mrs. J. S. Joor, who was called Home, August 7th, 1940.

She came to Rolling Fork as a bride; now, after more than a quarter of a century of active service in the church as pianist and church clerk, in the Sunday School as teacher, in the Woman's Missionary Society as president, she goes to receive the reward of all those who love the Lord.

When she united with the church here, it was a poor, struggling congregation; her loyalty and devotion did much toward making it the strong institution it now is. Her mental endowment and engaging personality made her a leader whom we delighted to follow. She was one of the few tithers in the church; time, talent, money,—all for the Lord.

The public knew her as a splendid wife, mother, and home-maker; we knew her as that, but we also knew her as a great Christian. One of her favorite verses of Scripture was: "All things work together for good to them that love God."

Now, BE IT RESOLVED, that we spread upon our minutes these expressions touching the life and character of our beloved member, as a memorial to her, and that a copy be furnished to her family, to The Baptist Record, and to The Deer Creek Pilot.

Committee:

Miss Olive Alexander  
Mrs. Valera Gates  
Mrs. Eula Shropshire

### MRS. D. H. NORMAN

This saintly Christian, aged 86, died at Morgan City, July 11. She was the daughter of Rev. A. J. Freeman. Her husband passed away 24 years ago. She was making her home with her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Moore. The funeral service was at Newton, conducted by Rev. J. E. Wills, assisted by Rev. R. A. Morris and Rev. C. J. Olander. She was born in Georgia, but came to Mississippi many years ago. She was a charter member of Midway church later joining the church at Newton. She is survived by four daughters and one son. She also passed several children beside her own. She loved the Bible and fed daily on it. She was loved by all who knew her. She lived a life of service and extended a helping hand to all in need.

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### FIVE FOR ONE

For one pastor to have in one year five Vacation Bible schools is indeed a great record. Yet that is the report of Brother B. E. Phillips, of New Hebron. He is pastor of five churches and has had a Vacation school in each of them.

It is not new for him to have these schools, for this has been a part of his summer program now for many years, but it is the first time for him to report as many in one summer.

So, then, we offer hearty congratulations to him as the leader of our state in the number of Vacations schools for one pastor reported to date. Rev. Willis A. Brown, of Shuqualak, is a close second with four schools reported. This is also a most splendid record.

### MORE TESTIMONIES

Rev. J. T. Carter, of Summerland, has this to say about his Vacation Bible school at Summerland: "Summerland had one of their best Vacation Bible schools recently. Assisted by Miss Jimmie Reese, the young people of the church constituted the faculty. A number of these were vacationing home from college. After two weeks of good work, a most interesting commencement was enjoyed by parents and all."

And of his school at Eden he writes: "Eden had a most interesting and successful Vacation Bible school, August 12-16. It was their first and the entire community seemed to be very favorably impressed. Some of the young people of Summerland directed the school, while a number of the Eden teachers received experience as helpers. Many are anticipating a larger and even better school next year."

### ONLY 7

In a check-up on September 5, it was found that every association in the state has this year reported one or more Vacation Bible schools except 7.

These 7 are: Clay, Jasper, Kemper, Oktibbeha, Pontotoc, Smith, and Tishomingo.

There have been schools in some of these, but the reports have not been sent in. The fewest associations we have ever had in one year not reporting one or more was last year with 10. It is already down to 7 this year, with some others sure to come in yet to reduce that.

You can help yourself and us also by sending a report of your school at an early date. Let's get these reports all in within the next few days.

### 19 TO 8

To June 30, 1940, every association in the state had reported some Sunday school study course awards except 19. During July and August, 11 of these 19 sent in reports, which makes it stand on September 5 with only 8 not reporting this year.

### CONSIDER THE LILIES

With a world so full of war and hatred, it lifts one up to visit a certain modest little cottage in Jackson where a saint of this earth lives in gentle peace. One night recently, as she lay wakeful in the midnight hours, she felt the Spirit of God speaking to her, as she thought of the war-torn world, and the peoples in the lands across the sea. Especially was her heart breaking for the men and women who preach the Prince of Peace on the far off regions of the earth. She had longed to help the cause of the British Missionaries along with Southern Baptists who are making offerings for their support now that the mother land is fighting for her life. But she was old now, and crippled, and could not work like she once did. But God has richly blessed her with a talent in her late years—painting.

From her girlhood, she had longed to paint. But life has been full, and time never permitted her to take lessons, or to try to paint. Now in her 78th year, she has started to realize her girlhood dream. With her hands, all crippled and unsteady, she has painted what many say is a remarkable piece of work. The Mississippi artist, Marie Hull stated that if she could have had lessons in her youth, she might possibly have been among the world renowned artists of this day. But she modestly smiles, and says it is all the work of the Lord, who has given her this remarkable talent. She wishes to use it for God's glory, alone.

In the Baptist Book store, set in a lovely antique gold double frame over 100 years old, there is on exhibition a painting she has made. It is a white vase of Easter lilies. The pure white blossoms gleam against the somber background, like the life of the One for Whom she paints shone against the darkness almost 2,000 years ago in the country of Palestine. Being alone a great deal of the time, while her family works, she formed the habit of "talking with the Lord." "You know, He is as real to me as my other friends," she confides with her gentle smile. "So while I painted this picture of the lilies, which always remind me of Him when He arose from the grave as the triumphant Savior,—I told Him I was dedicating this picture to Him. It came into my heart to do this, in His honor." The artist is Mrs. J. T. Cotten.

It is her earnest desire that the picture will be purchased by someone who will love the lilies for His sake—and that the funds received from this donation by her, will be sent to help the British Missionaries, now stranded in far corners of the earth.

### A Friend.

These 8 are: DeSoto, Grenada, Kemper, Monroe, Montgomery, Pontotoc, Tate, and Tishomingo.

We have never had all the associations reporting Sunday school study course awards in any one year. This one is well on the way. Let's make it 100% this time! October is the Fall study course month. Plan one for your school.

### JUST ANOTHER CASE

By Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent

She is from Mississippi. Her husband once was well-to-do, but lost all he had. Her pastor wrote us about her, and the very next day, before he had time to hear from us, the sick woman was here. And she was seriously ill, too. The husband was a sight to see—he needed Christian care as much as his wife needed a doctor. Days passed, and the sick woman began to mend. He returned to his home, in a happy frame of soul; and soon the woman was up. She has gone home now; and is on our records just another "case" who was given free service by the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.

### MY PEACE I GIVE

Dr. Ayers states that there is only one Christian out of 100 Chinese, but one out of six in China's "Who's Who" is a Christian.

He told of how one of the faithful nurses lost an arm in the bombing of Shanghai (and we couldn't help thinking of the pathos of one thus losing an arm which had been dedicated to the alleviation of human suffering). At the end of a day on which they had suffered the most severe bombing, one of the native workers prayed, "Lord, we thank Thee for the blessings of this day." At first Dr. Ayers wondered what he could mean—what blessings he could possibly have received that day, but the Chinese Christian continued—"for the peace that passeth understanding." Then he prayed for those who didn't have that peace and for the Japanese. Our personal feelings cannot be expressed as we watched Mr. and Mrs. Belote, sitting on the platform, listening so attentively to Dr. Ayers' message, knowing full well what they face when they do go to China, yet unwavering in their decision and their dedication,—"so young, so strong, so sure of God," and so "Ready to suffer grief or pain, Ready to stand the test."

### SOUTHSIDE, JACKSON

Southside Baptist Church in Jackson had a birthday, August 7th. It is almost unbelievable the things which He has wrought within one brief year.

Just one year ago a little handful of twenty bound themselves together by grace and the faith of their Saviour and set out.

For almost three months the magnificent Hinds County Court house served as "the Church" to the little number which had already begun to grow. In the meantime the Lord had opened up a way for a meeting house of their own. In November the members of Southside Baptist Church had their first prayer meeting in their own church.

The Lord kept adding blessing unto blessing until now there are six Sunday school rooms and a nice little auditorium seating two hundred or two hundred fifty. Many other little necessities and conveniences have been added. But unto the "Saints at Southside" there has been added one hundred seventy-four making a total membership of one hundred ninety-four.

Within this first year of the little church there was not one death, nor a marriage and only two births. The Pastor and his wife never missed a single Sunday service. The Lord blessed in health as well as other things.

Fourth Sunday in September is set for Love-offering day for the church. We tell the Lord that we love him. Now let us prove that we love him by making a sacrificial gift to his Church.

Member.

It was little Esther's first visit to a ranch and she was longing for home.

Mother took her for a walk and called her attention to the cool evening breeze.

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# The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

(Address all communications to Mrs. Frances Steele, Magee, Miss.)

My Dear Children:--

I remember my Mother's saying to me when I was a little girl too young to really understand what the words meant, that such and such a thing was "conspicuous by its absence". I was reminded of that when your letters were slow in coming this week. They, too, are conspicuous by their absence. Now, I'm not blaming you one bit because I know how absorbed you have been in getting those new school books, pencils, tablets, note books, scissors and coloring pencils, in selecting your desk, in arranging those braids and curls, in greeting the playmates and former teachers, and in getting acquainted with the nice new ones. I know what a hurry and flurry there is when school starts and how it just about consumes all of one's time and energy. But just as soon as the newness wears off I hope you will come back to your old friend, the Children's Circle, and write us a letter telling us all about it. Then, maybe, we can change that expression and say that your letters are conspicuous by their presence. That sounds much better.

Besides the gifts accompanying letters to the Circle, we have others for which we want to express appreciation. Mrs. E. B. Traylor again reached in that purse of hers which always seem to have something for a good cause, and brought out fifty cents for the Circle's needs and some Octagon soap wrappers to be forwarded to the orphanage. The Colorado Jeannie Lipsey Club stating that they must be behind in their dues, have sent a check for four dollars to "catch up". How grateful we are for the encouragement of friends like these!

With love,  
Mrs. Frances Steele.

## BIBLE STUDY

"Let brotherly love continue."—Hebrews 13:1.

## THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Jesus told a story one day to make clear what a good neighbor is. He said that a man was going down from Jerusalem to Jerico, and how this was a rough, hilly road and dangerous because of robbers that hid by the roadside and attacked the travellers as they passed. As this man journeyed he was set upon by bandits who seized him, took all of his money and his clothes, beat him and left him bloody and half dead. While he lay on the ground too weak to rise, it happened that a priest came that way. Now, a priest was a religious leader among his people and would have been expected to show kindness to the wounded man, but instead, when he saw him, he passed by on the other side and pretended that he did not see him. After the priest, came a Levite. He also was one of those who attended to the Lord's worship in the temple. Yet after looking at the man, he crossed over to the other side of the road as the priest had done and did nothing to help the man in distress.

After the priest and Levite had gone on their way, a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came that way. Now, the Samaritans were hated and held in great contempt by the Jews, but when this Samaritan saw the wounded man, he was filled with pity. He went to him and dressed his wounds, pouring on them soothing oil and antiseptic wine to make them heal. Then he lifted him and set him on his own beast and walked beside him until they came to an inn. There they stopped and the Samaritan took special care of him during the night. In the morning before the Samaritan

continued on his way, he paid the innkeeper for the expense of the night and said: "Take good care of him and when I come again I will pay you for the additional expense."

When Jesus' listeners heard this story they knew that He meant to teach them that those who show brotherly love to those in need are really being good neighbors.

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Waynesboro, Miss.  
Sept. 3, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

Enclosed find one dollar, fifty cents to apply on the Baptist Orphanage fund, and fifty cents for the B. B. I. Student. This is our monthly offering from the Intermediate department of the Waynesboro Baptist Church. We enjoy the Circle page of the RECORD very much.

With Love,  
Mrs. W. O. Maudlin,  
Dept. Sec.

Your letter each month brings joy too, Mrs. Maudlin. Every member of your department contributes to this joy. We thank you and them sincerely.

F. L. S.  
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Shubuta, Miss.  
Sept. 3, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

May I join your circle? I will soon be twelve years old. I will be in the seventh grade when school starts.

I go to church and Sunday School regularly. Bro. E. D. Estes was here in May and organized our Sunday School. I have been every Sunday but one and I was sick then. Bro. Estes helped build up our church. We got our windows in June. He wanted us to write Falling Creek Church on the front, so my brother John, Clifton Sellers and John Arrington put it up with pine limbs. We are looking forward to his coming back in October. We want to invite every one that will come. Our pastor is Rev. John Morgan. I hope my letter isn't too long.

Yours new friend,  
Annie Pearle Davis.

Annie Pearle, I like that word, "regularly" that you use to describe your going to church and Sunday School. That regular attendance is what counts. I should think that the name of your church on the building arranged with pine would be artistic, and I'm sure those young men had pride in doing the work.

F. L. S.  
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Hattiesburg, Miss., R. 3  
Sept. 2, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write to the Children's Circle. I enjoy reading it. I am a girl eleven years old and in the fifth grade. I go to Sunday School and Church when I can. My Sunday School teacher is Mrs. Crowley.

Yours friend,  
Glen Dean Hartfield.

Glen Dean, if you tried very hard, don't you believe you could meet Mrs. Crowley at Sunday School every Sunday? I can imagine how glad it would make her. We're pleased to have you in the Children's Circle.

F. L. S.  
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Hattiesburg, Miss., R. 3  
Sept. 2, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I want to join the Children's Circle, as this is my first time to write to you. I am a girl thirteen years old and in the eighth grade. Our school starts September first. We attend the Richburg Baptist

Church. I go every Sunday that I can.

Your friend,  
Virginia Hartfield.

You have already started to school, Virginia. I'm hoping you have a fine year.

F. L. S.

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Olive Branch, Miss.  
September 6, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am sending you my Jeannie Lipsey Club I dues for August and September.

At our DeSoto County Association I met a former school teacher of yours, Miss Jeffie Johnson. I liked her very much.

We are enjoying "Rockefeller Center, N. Y." by Mr. John J. Lipsey. We had just been thinking about Mr. Lipsey a few days before the Record came with the first story about Rockefeller Center, wondering why he was waiting so long to write something for our Children's Page. We always enjoy his stories and it seemed quite a long time since we had been favored with one.

With love,

Fannie Mae Henley,  
I remember "Miss Jeff" well. I thought once this summer that I might see her, but missed it. I'm glad you like the stories on Rockefeller Center. So do I. And what a big help these J. L. Club dues are! Thank you.

F. L. S.

## BAPTIST COOPERATION UNDER WAR TIME CONDITIONS

By Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, President of the Baptist World Alliance

Our Christian unity is unbroken even by the tragic fact of widespread war. We cannot too often remind ourselves that those who are in fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ are in fellowship with one another (1 John 1:3). That God-created oneness cannot be ruptured by any human or sub-human powers.

It is quite otherwise with the practical expression of unity in the form of active cooperation. Many of our people are now denied the possibility of correspondence with one another, and of rendering such fraternal aid to weaker groups as we have been wont to render in years of peace. The spiritual ties remain firm as ever; we have our assured place in one another's hearts and prayers. Yet the absence of news occasions anxiety. We would fain know the condition of our brethren, would fain share their thoughts and fears and hopes, and participate with them in service for the Kingdom of God. If these words of mine reach any who are isolated, I beg them to believe that in these days of stress and strain we cherish for them an unwavering love and long for the time when we shall again clasp their hands and join them in prayer and praise.

I appeal in this season of grave difficulty to Baptist people of all lands to think on their fellow-disciples. So far as this is possible, I suggest that letters be mailed to every land, carefully avoiding political

or military references, but setting out simply and frankly our concern for those of like precious faith with ourselves, and our longing that they and we may be conscious of the presence and blessing of our common Lord. In not a few countries, neutral and belligerent, there are Christian groups that would be mightily encouraged by such brotherly messages.

Of course it will be easier for our people in lands not directly involved in war to adopt this suggestion; but all can find out what is possible. We cannot allow ourselves to leave anything undone that may serve the cause of the Kingdom of God in such times as have come upon us. Whatever our personal judgments regarding the war, or our political loyalties, these cannot weaken our sense of fellowship with "all that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity".

There is melancholy significance in some of the events of recent weeks. I think of the political changes in Eastern Europe. The inclusion of Bessarabia in the U. S. S. R. means that about one-fourth of the Baptists formerly in Rumania are now under the dominion of Moscow. Our people in Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, with whom British and American Baptists have for twenty years been closely linked, are incorporated in the same political system, with its sinister implications. Democratic lands in Western and Northern Europe are either occupied or controlled by alien forces. The area of freedom is gravely restricted, and the enduring effects none can measure. Nevertheless, God lives; and everywhere His children have access to their Father. To that firm truth we hold:

"Blind unbelief is sure to err,  
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Another good book of sermons by the Broadman Press "Securely Guarded" by W. W. Weeks. We have three other good books by Dr. Weeks, The Face of Christ, The Bride of Christ and The Heart of God. Then the Biography of one of our great Christian Educators, Dr. Jefferson Davis Sanderfer, by Mrs. Inez Woodward Sandifer, his daughter-in-law. The Baptist Book Store will be glad to supply you with these.

## WHILE THINKING OF BOOKS

We are listing below the books that will be recognized as Baptist Training Union Study Course books in the Missions courses from the present until September 1st, 1941. We list the books without comment—

Juniors: Petrica of Rumania; Whirligigs in China; The Village Oven; The Topsy Turvy Twins; Guitars and Water Jars; Strong Hearts of Japan; (All these are Foreign Mission books) The Traveling Story Hour. This one is a Home Mission study book with plans for handword and travel games with delightful stories from the Home Mission fields.

Intermediates: Believers and Builders in Europe; Darings in the Dawn (China); Questing in Galilee; Trophies for the King (Africa); Mrs. Maynards House; (all these Foreign Missions the last named on Japan); Teepee Trails, a Home Mission study.

Young People: They of Italy; Modern Macedonia; His Golden Cycle (China); Up from Zero (China); Believers and Builders in Europe; The Heart of the Levant (Palestine and Syria); Basil Lee Lockett, (Thrilling biography of one of our great missionaries to Africa); Christ in the Silver Lands (South America); Sharing with Neighbor America; Japanese Youth Faces Life (All these are on Foreign Missions); Winning the Border; Follow Me; Taking Life Seriously, (all these on Home Missions).

Adults: His Golden Cycle; Day Dawn in Yoruba Land; Europe: Christ or Chaos; They of Italy; Up From Zero; The Heart of the Levant; Basil Lee Lockett; Christ in the

Silver Lands; Sharing with Neighbor America; Taking Christ Seriously; A Golden Milestone; Follow Me; Winning the Border.

Why not plan a study course for the fall and use some of the above mission books? You can combine classes in some of these as you see. Build a greater mission spirit in your church membership by leading them to study the work we are doing on the mission fields. These books are all fresh, and about the work being done NOW.

## COPIAH HAS INTERESTING MEETINGS

Representative from seven churches gathered at Chautauqua grounds in Copiah Co. for a short devotional program and social hour. Each Group Director led his group in their games, and a picnic lunch was served. A special feature of this meeting was a report by Brother A. B. Pierce of their recent trip to Cuba where they visited our Mission work there. A second meeting was held a short time after this one, a general meeting at which the officers for another year were elected. The thought in electing the officers early was that they might have time to study the Associational Training Union Manual, and get ready for their work. Following is a list of the officers-Director, James Fairchild, Jr.; Associate Director, H. J. Bishop; Pastor Advisor, Dr. Mark Lowry; Sec-Treas., Miss Margaret Miller; Pianist, Miss Belva Gillis; Chorister, Rev. F. Graesser; Department leaders: Adult, Rex Porter; Young People, E. Ray Izard; Intermediate, Mrs. Fred Geiselbreth; Junior, Miss Margaret Byrd; Story Hour, Mrs. Joseph Robinson. The director was asked to appoint the Group Directors. At this meeting fifteen churches were represented and everyone who had been asked to serve on program were present with a good part. Miss Miller, who is to be the secretary for the new year has served most efficiently as director for the past several years.

## AN ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR AT WORK

Showing how an Associational Director works at the job of extending the work is revealed in this instance. Miss Ruth Roach, always alert to the opportunities at hand, went out to a church in Pike Co., the association of which she is director, while they were having their revival. This church, Silver Creek, had at one time had a splendid Training Union, but because some of their leaders had moved the work had been discontinued. Miss Roach asked that those interested in organizing a Training Union meet her in the house during the lunch hour, fifty met her and three good unions were organized, Intermediate, Young People's and Adult. The General officers for the Training Union were

elected and fine prospects for a Story Hour and Junior Union exist. Miss Roach planned for them to have a Training School and this has already been held with splendid success, Miss Almata Reeves, Mr. Edward Byrd and Mr. Nolan Brister teaching in the school. In all probability this splendid church would still be without a training union had it not been for the interest of the Associational Director.

## S. S. AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

Jackson, First Church	1037	202
Jackson, Calvary	949	132
Jackson, Parkway	451	302
Jackson, Griffith	750	376
Jackson, Northside	116	34
Jackson, Davis	228	112
Jackson, Southside	83	65
Hattiesburg, Main St.	432	139
West Laurel	591	226
Clinton Church	446	
Pilgrim's Rest, Copiah	126	131
(September 1)		
Canton, First	207	92
Pattison Church	94	
Newton Church	282	97
Crystal Springs	361	139
Eden Church	25	35
Bethesda, Oktibbeha	44	
Bala Chitto	66	
Bethlehem, Jones	128	74
(September 1)		
New Zion, Copiah	96	
(September 1)		
Morrison Chapel	124	45
Kreole Church	70	37
Ramah Church	177	
Eupora (Sept. 1)	116	
Heuck's Retreat	104	
Eupora Church	130	
Cross Roads, Webster	72	
Double Springs	107	
Webb Church	74	14
Pascagoula, First	302	125
Vicksburg, First	508	163
Dixie Church	62	70
Bethlehem Church	140	50
Sardis, Neshoba	51	
Riverside	50	36
Liberty	197	
Pilgrim's Rest	136	97
(September 8)		
New Zion	79	
(September 8)		
Florence (Sept. 1)	117	55
(Sept. 8)	120	53
Wade	75	40
Clarksdale	429	171
Mantee	143	
Salem	169	201
Heuck's Retreat	83	

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## SHUQUALAK

The Shuqualah Baptist Church is most happy at this time. Rev. W. A. Brown has just brought his bride home. The Church has just had the pastor's home remodelled, and it is now most attractive and convenient. The ladies had the parsonage all ready for their reception and shower gifts were in evidence all over the house from the kitchen to the front door. A Reception will be given Tuesday afternoon for all the ladies of the town in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Brown.

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### THE PERFECT SACRIFICE OF THE NEW COVENANT

The Jews understood that the Old Covenant was confirmed or made sure by a blood sacrifice. When we search for any Bible truth and come to a proper understanding of it, in its Jewish setting, we find the real meaning that God intended to present. In this way, we believe that it would be possible to find an antidote for every false doctrine in Christendom and to establish all the great Scriptural truths for which Southern Baptists stand. The modernistic doctrines of our day could, and should be exposed in the light of God's promise to Israel in Leviticus 17:11. The modernists deny or ignore the need for a sacrifice for sin, but God says "For the life of the flesh is in the blood and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your soul: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul." God's covenants are the firm foundations upon which His truth and His promises rests and His covenants are sealed with blood. The Old Covenant was sealed with the blood of animals, the New Covenant is sealed with the Blood of that Perfect Sacrifice, which was shed on Calvary's cross. Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy places, having obtained eternal redemption for us.—(Heb. 3:12)

The types and shadows of the Old Testament must be full filled in the New. Jesus said, "I came not to destroy but to fulfill the law." The Antitype is true to the type; the type is true to the Antitype: and so the truth of God is established. The Book of the Hebrews explains to us all the wonderful facts; setting forth the Perfect Sacrifice, Jesus Christ, the great Antitype. The Covenants and promises of both the Old Testament and the New Testaments were made to Israel and the terms of both were written by Jewish men. "Behold the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new Covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Not according to the Covenant that I made with their fathers"—(Jer. 31:31-32). So we conclude that the Perfect Sacrifice belongs to the Jew with all the privileges and blessings of the Gospel of Grace and the great responsibility of making this known to them is laid upon the Church; those who know Christ and are experiencing the benefits of this wonderful salvation. Those of us who have had opportunity of doing personal work among some Jewish people have experienced real joy in seeing the response that has been shown by them as we have sought to present to them, this Perfect Sacrifice. We do not believe that any Jew would attempt to deny the fact that Israel under the Old Covenant, found any other way of approach unto God except through a blood sacrifice: and as there were sacrificial offerings under the Old: they must conclude that there is a more perfect sacrifice in the New. When we have brought our Jewish friends thus far in our persuasion; then we present the New Testament as representing the terms of the New Covenant; written by Jews; and the claims of Jesus Christ as the perfect

Sacrifice and Mediator. He Himself said, as He sat at the Passover table and; on the institution of the Lord's Supper "For this is my blood of the New Testament (Covenant) which is shed for many for the remission of sins.—Matt. 26:28.

We believe that God is calling Christians to real personal work as never before during these days when Satan's forces seem to be controlling this old sin cursed world; but the Holy Spirit is still leading men to repentance and we should be much in prayer for His guidance. We must strive to show every unsaved person that the sin problem is the greatest problem to be dealt with, and the doom of every individual, as a consequence of sin in his own nature, is certain; if he refuses to accept the Perfect Substitute as his Saviour. Oh: that all the world of lost sinners could come to understand the terms of this New Covenant, For 'without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins.—(Heb. 3:14).

There are so many blessings and privileges realized by those who are the recipients of this wonderful salvation. Their sins are washed away in the precious blood of Jesus.—(Heb. 8:12). The following lines written by the inspired poet have bought peace and heavenly comfort to many hearts;—

"Arise my soul arise,  
Shake off thy guilty fears,  
A bleeding Sacrifice  
In thy behalf appears."

The saved person is delivered out of temptations "For in that He himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted.—Heb. 2:18. They know the Lord in that closest spiritual fellowship, known to man; that intimacy that satisfies every longing of the heart: Last of all and best of all they are used in His blessed service." Now the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect to do His will, making in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ.—Heb. 13:20-21.

Mrs. H. A. Waggener.

### ORDAINED

Upon recommendation of the examining council, composed of the Baptist pastors of Meridian, the Forty-first Avenue Baptist Church met on September 1, 1940 at 2:30 P. M. for the purpose of ordaining Brother Jessie L. Boyd, Jr. to the full Gospel ministry.

The ordaining council was formed by the following pastors: Jessie L. Boyd, Sr., T. M. Flemming, Olin S. Sims, Norman W. Cox, and J. H. Avery. T. M. Flemming presided and J. H. Avery recorded the proceedings.

We begin our fall B. T. U. Study Courses on Monday night, August 26. The Adults are to be taught by the Pastor, O. P. Moore; the seniors by the Pastor, O. P. Moore; the Seniors by Mrs. Overstreet of Beaumont; the Intermediates by Wilbur Carpenter, and the Juniors by their leader, Miss Margarette Gibson. O. P. Moore, Pastor.

### WE DO NOT SIN AND YET WE DO SIN A PARADOX BUT NOT A CONTRADICTION

In I Jno. 3:9: we read: "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him: and he can not sin, because he is born of God."

Then in I Jno. 1:8: we find: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

Every true believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is born of God. When we are born of the flesh we become partakers of the human nature of our parents. And when we are born of the Spirit we become partakers of the divine nature of God. Now this relationship is not imaginary but real. Those of us who have been born again are just as much akin to God in spirit, as we are to our human father in flesh and blood. And just as we inherited a nature to sin from our earthly father; even so do we inherit a nature not to sin from our heavenly Father.

Our sinful nature that we inherited from our human father is not changed—as some think—but we still have the same human nature to sin that we did before we were born of God.

But when we are born of God we have a new nature, not a renewed nature. And this new nature is divine which makes us hate sin and love truth and righteousness. Every man that loves sin, and rejoices in the act of committing sin has not been born of God.

Therefore, since I have been born of the Spirit, and possess the nature of Good which hates sin, I do not commit sin; I can not sin, for His seed remaineth in me, because I am born of God.

But I still have the same old sinful nature in me that I inherited from my father in the flesh and when I would do good evil is present with me: "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye can not do the things that ye would."—(Gal. 5:17)

And so, if I do the things that I would not, "it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me." "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing."

Now this is not only my experience, but it was the experience of the apostle Paul and it is also the experience of every child of God. And we all know this to be true whether we acknowledge it or not.

The explanation of it is this: The inward man, that which has been born of God, doth not commit sin, and can not sin. But the natural man, that which was born of the flesh, does sin.

When Christ once suffered for me, the just for the unjust, when He was made to be sin for me, when He bore my sins in His own body on the Cross, and died for my sins: then after I received Him, believing on

His name, trusting Him for my salvation; then, from that moment to this hour there has never been a sin, that I have ever committed imputed to me, in a judicial sense, but my standing in God's presence is just as though I had never committed a sin, justified, pure and holy. "Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin."—(Rom. 4:8).

But when I—the natural man—commit sin, God deals with me now as a child and not as with an alien. The twelfth chapter of Hebrews tells how God deals with the sins of His children. Now when a child of God sins he wounds his own conscience, and he can not practice sin, and love it, because the love of God is shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Spirit.

We will never be able to live without sin as long as we dwell in these bodies of flesh and blood.

"O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ Our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin."—(Rom. 7:25).

J. E. Heath, Winona, Miss.

### INTERMEDIATES GALORE!

The came from all around, those Intermediate boys and girls and Sunday school workers, from 9 associations and 31 churches, to the First Baptist Church last Sunday afternoon to greet Miss Mary Virginia Lee, and to hear Capt. A. C. Rutzen, G-Man from New Orleans. A head count netted 752 people, although it looked liked a thousand. This is the largest group to ever attend a Sunday school rally of this sort in Mississippi. It went ahead of the Laurel rally, and that is going some.

It was a delight to hear Captain Rutzen tell of the need for Christian men as leaders. He explained the work of the FBI and stated that only men of unquestioned character and morals were accepted as agents in the FBI; that men of outstanding Christian character were the only ones sought in the organization of his group.

Miss Mary Virginia Lee, South-wide secretary of the Intermediate Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, of Nashville, will lead in a series of special conferences, each night this week, Monday through Friday, at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

All interested persons are invited, especially Intermediate Sunday School Workers.

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# A FEW REVIVAL MEETINGS

First we had the revival with Friendship church of which Brother Bishop of McComb is pastor. This church was organized the year the state was admitted to statehood, 1817. Brother Bishop is the popular pastor and is bringing things to pass in a great way. The people are very cooperative and are awake to every interest of the kingdom. Brother Bishop is a teacher-preacher and lives near the church. The meeting was largely attended and seven were received for baptism.

The next meeting was with our afternoon appointment at Silver Creek in Pike Co. Brother J. B. Quinn was with us and did the preaching. Brother Quinn was once pastor of this church and they love him devotedly and we had a great meeting. This church too is an old one more than a hundred and twenty years of age with some four hundred members and should have a pastor on the field for full time. They are of the old Anglo-Saxon type and are a fine people. Brother Quinn was at his best at each service for the people said each sermon was better and we had sixteen for baptism. It was a good meeting. The next meeting was with Agricola in George Co. with Pastor B. L. McKee of Brandon. This too is a wonderful church and community and Brother McKee had things "humming" when we got there. The church loves the gospel and responds to it, which inspires the pastor and they lead on. Here we had seven grown folks and many of them heads of families to be baptized. It was a great meeting. The editor is giving us some illuminary expositions of Ephesians. They are greatly enjoyed.

We are to ordain Elmer Bearden Sunday night. He is a junior in Miss. College with bright prospects. W. R. Cooper.

## LONG BEACH

The Long Beach Baptist Church completed a very successful year, September 1, 1940 under the leadership of Rev. L. D. Posey. Recently four large Sunday school rooms were completed together with improvements on the parsonage. Fifteen additions to the church with many interested families who contemplate coming into this fellowship.

Bro. Posey has proven himself one of the finest Bible teachers this section has ever had. His consecration and knowledge of God's word has helped and impressed all who have sat under his faithful ministry. Bro. Posey is a native Mississippian, but for many years labored in different fields. We greatly rejoice in having this man of God as our pastor.

Bro. and Mrs. Posey recently had as their guest for several weeks their son, Dr. S. G. Posey and family of Austin, Texas. Dr. Posey preached for us Sunday to a large crowd, many of whom were from other places where he had held pastorates. May God's richest blessings rest and abide with this dear pastor and his companion; may many more years of useful service crown his efforts.

Friends.

# ORDINATION OF BRO. WALTER JOSEPH McCRAW

The First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Miss. was called to the Ordination of Bro. Walter Joseph McCraw to the full Gospel Ministry, Thursday Night, August 8, 1940. The ordaining council was composed of the following: R. K. Corder, Pastor, Acting as Moderator, Rev. P. D. Bragg, Pastor, the Carthage Baptist Church preached the sermon, Rev. H. L. Byrd, Pastor, Spring Creek Baptist Church presented the Bible, Rev. Chas. B Hamlett, III, Pastor, Decatur Baptist Church gave the charge. Pastor R. K. Corder led the ordination prayer, after which was the laying on of the hands by the ministry and deacons.

Bro. McCraw is the second young man to be ordained to the full ministry from this church with in the last year, the other one being Bro. Riley Munday who is pastor of the Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church and student of Mississippi College.

Bro. McCraw will be a student of the Southern Western Theological Seminary this year.

The Church is justly proud of these two outstanding young men, and pledges to them their prayers and full support.

R. K. Corder, Pastor.

## THE ORDINATION PROGRAM

- Devotional ..... J. H. Avery  
(1) Read Romans 12; and led in prayer.  
(2) The Mississippi College quartet composed of Joe Hudson, Owen Williams, Jr., Rogers Lambright, and J. L. Moran sang MY JESUS I LOVE THEE.
- Sermon ..... J. L. Boyd, Sr.  
Brother Boyd read I Cor. 1:18-25, II Cor. 12:7-10, I Peter 5:1-4. He delivered an inspiring and inciting message on "The Dependant Preacher".
- Ordination Prayer..... T. M. Flemming.
- Charge ..... Norman W. Cox
- Presentation of the Bible.....Olin S. Sims.

A motion by J. H. Avery was carried authorizing the secretary to present the record of this ordination to the Forty-first Avenue Baptist Church, and a copy to the Baptist Record.

- Benediction.....Jessie L. Boyd, Jr.

During the week of August 12 through August 16 a very successful study course was held at Mount Horeb Baptist Church in Covington County. During the week a complete organization was set up, with Mr. Roma Lee Crosby as Director. The average attendance was 64, and 69 were enrolled in the various unions.

The people were enthusiastic and responsive and I believe they will carry on the Training Union work in an efficient way.—Doris Fishel, Volunteer Worker.

"Are you Hungary?"  
"Yes, Siam."  
"Den Russia to the table and I'll Fiji."  
"All right, Sweden my coffee and Denmark my bill."

# EXAMINATION OF CHARLES JOLLY

At the call of the Okolona Baptist Church, the following gathered at Okolona, August 31st, for the purpose of examining Bro. Charles Jolly as to his fitness and qualifications for ordination to the gospel ministry: Pastors W. C. Stewart of Houston, J. P. Kirkland of New Albany, Warren E. Ferguson of Sherman, F. V. McFatridge of Plantersville, A. F. Lucas, and R. B. Patterson; Deacons, W. A. McDonald, C. E. Thompson, Varda Smith, J. Merl Graham, and Joe L. Jolly, father of the candidate. W. C. Stewart was elected moderator, and F. V. McFatridge clerk.

Bro. Charles Jolley related his conversion, and then his call to the gospel ministry. Both of these experience were clear and thrilling, and convinced the council that the young man had been truly converted, and born of the Spirit, and that God had indeed called him to preach the gospel. When asked if his continuance in the ministry depended upon his success as a preacher, the answer was that whatever his lot in the future he would consider it God's place for him, and continue to preach His Word.

Several questions as to his belief in fundamental doctrines, such as the inspiration of the Bible, salvation by grace, the nature of the church, the ordinances and their place, were asked and answered satisfactorily. The examining council was much impressed with the young man's assurance and humility, and his grave and serious manner, and unanimously recommended the church to proceed with his ordination.

tion. The council then gathered about the candidate, and joined in prayer, led by the moderator, for God's blessings upon the young man's ministry. We predict for him a brilliant future in the service of the Lord.

F. V. McFatridge,  
Plantersville, Miss.

## FREIDA B. GRISSETTE

On August 26, the Lord sent his death Angels to call our loving little niece, Freida B. Grissette, age 8, to her flower home in Heaven.

She leaves her mother, Mrs. Malie H. Grissette, brother; Joe Grissette, age 10; Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hughes, Mrs. Doc. Grissette, many relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted from Roundaway Baptist Church, Doddsville, Miss. with Pastor, W. C. Sledge, Shaw, Miss. Assisted by Rev. Spell, Rev. Jones and Rev. Sims.

Her Uncle and Aunt,  
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jenkins

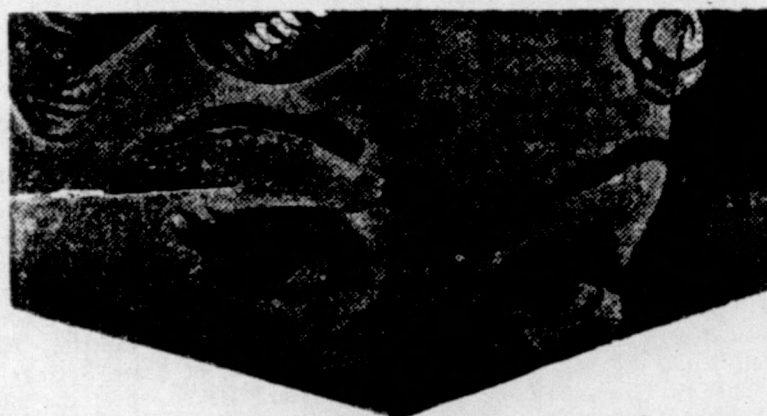
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## AMONG MISSION PASTORS—

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Board."

New Shiloh, Carroll County, Roy Self, pastor. "We were a church without a house, but thanks to the State Board for pastoral aid and the members and friends a church is being built. More than 40 are enrolled in the B. T. U."

Handsboro and Second Church, Biloxi, E. S. Flynt, pastor, "This is one of the greatest mission fields in Mississippi. Handsboro was organized by a State Board Worker, Second Church, Biloxi as a mission of the First Church, Biloxi. More than 200 additions have come during the present pastorate. Second Biloxi has erected a well-planned building and Handsboro has repaired church and added seven Sunday school rooms. All this has been done without debt."

New Prospect: Mt. Vernon, Cross Roads and Highland, Tishomingo County, W. C. Hamilton, Pastor, "These Churches are composed of many loyal workers. Surrounding these churches, according to a recent census, are over 1000 lost people. Many of our members have pledged to win one this year."

West Side, Natchez, Jim A. Smith, pastor. "Organized in 1938 with 6 members we now have 250. In the past few months the budget has been increased twenty-five per cent. A building is being planned."

Union Church, Perry County, A. J. Linton, pastor, "Our membership is more than 100, no faction nor friction. We have a Sunday School, B. T. U. and W. M. U."

Second Baptist Church, Kosciusko, H. H. Ward, pastor. "Located in industrial section of a town of 6000, we have all the usual organizations. Last year there were 56 additions."

Rocky Hill and Wilkerson Memorial in Smith County, Salem and Pulaski in Scott County, W. H. Wood, pastor, "We major on prayer for praying Christians are working Christians."

Sharon, Smith County, "R. H. Thompson, pastor, "At Sharon we have a good Sunday school and are trying to get our people to be self-sustaining."

Hope Well and Pilgrim's Rest, Yalobusha County, J. H. Sherman, pastor, "The Lord is blessing us in a wonderful way. And we are not 'divided', nor are we 'resting'."

Potts Camp, W. H. Branyan, pastor, "Our membership is 42 with the same number enrolled in Sunday school. Our church and parsonage are both free of debt."

Siwel, Hinds County, Leroy Bolland, pastor, "Organized in Feb. 1939, with ten members, we now have 55, and we have a good Sunday school and a B. T. U. with four unions."

Acy Memorial, Carroll County, L. D. Sellers, pastor, "Was organized in 1938 with 66 members. The Board helped on pastor's salary and on the building. The building will be ready by July, 1940 and we plan to use it for our revival."

Missionary to the Choctaw Indians, S. E. McAdory. "Our latest minutes show 326 Indian Baptists. There are nine churches, two missions, five Sunday schools and six W. M. U.'s. There are four faithful Indian pastors."

Covenant Church, Choctaw Coun-

ty, C. F. Anglin, pastor, "Organized in 1937 with twenty members and now grown to over forty. The prayer meeting has continued without a break. Drinking, gambling and dancing were prevalent before the church was organized. These are now on the down grade."

Bethel, Leake County, B. F. Odom, pastor. "Organized in 1933 with twenty-one members, now has membership of 47. The Sunday school enrollment is 72."

Spencer Memorial, Jackson County, V. C. Windham, pastor, "Sponsored by Kreole church and nurtured by Brother T. E. Spencer this church was organized in 1939 with 17 members. We dedicated our building in August 1940."

Macedonia, DeSoto County, Rev. H. B. Vinson, pastor. "We have half-time preaching and no Sunday School. We hope to give the Co-operative Program next year."

Lock Station, Panola County, H. B. Vinson, pastor, "The church was organized in November 1937 with 6 charter members. It now has 46, 22 having been received during a recent revival."

Antioch, Clear Branch and Mountain Creek, Rankin County, W. S. Landrum, pastor, "Good meetings in all three churches. A Vacation Bible School was held in each church. There are large numbers of young people."

Delta Missionary, Rev. E. C. Farr, "Is the only full time missionary jointly supported by the State Convention and by an association, the Deer Creek. I gather the Baptists together in unchurched communities. I preach to large numbers that have not heard a Baptist preacher for years, some as many as 20 and 35 years."

Center Hill, Smith County, Rev. James J. Roberts, pastor, "Bad weather plus bad roads hindered us during the winter but the crowds are growing and so is interest."

We regret that reports from the following missionary pastors failed to reach us in time for publication in this week's issue: J. F. Sullivan, Luther J. Turner, C. S. Mullins, L. J. Crumby, E. J. Blackford, B. T. Bishop and J. M. Walker.

## PILGRIM'S REST, CALHOUN

We have just closed a week's meeting with the Pilgrim's Rest Church in Calhoun County. Large congregations attended the services throughout the meeting. There was a total of 42 additions to the church, 39 of which were by baptism. Bro. Leroy Derrah, of State Springs is the Pastor. He is one of the most Godly men I know and is doing a great work. I was with him in his meeting at Bradford's Chapel last week. His people love him devotedly.

Bro. W. K. Davis, of Alua, Miss. was the Song leader in the Pilgrim's Rest meeting. He is efficient, and a Christian gentleman. He endeared himself very greatly to the people, my daughter, Evelyn Thomas, played the piano and worked with the Juniors. We had a great meeting. This is my ninth meeting this year. We will be with Bro. Vernon Wilson in Webster Co. next week. I go to East St. Louis, Illinois the middle of September for a two week's meeting. We have several more engagements

for meetings in this State. We appreciate the prayers of our friends.

We rejoice in the fact that more people seem to be attending church now than in recent years.

C. S. Thomas,  
Duck Hill, Miss.

## GRACIOUS MEETINGS

The Lord richly blessed us in our efforts in revival services this summer. At Georgetown, Brother Jimmie Sullivan of Ripley, Tennessee, preached for ten days with great power. The people came in large numbers and went away with great spiritual blessings. Several were saved and a large number re-consecrated their lives to Christ and His church.

At Hopewell, brother A. P. Pierce of Crystal Springs, Mississippi, strengthened the church greatly by his good gospel preaching. Several were added to the church and the entire community felt the effects of the meeting.

At Rockport, the Pastor preached to comparatively large crowds. The church has only 15 members but averaged more than three times that number at the revival services. Interest in the work was deepened.

The writer preached during a week's meeting with the Oak Grove church in Amite County in July. Brother H. L. Deer is pastor and doing a great work there. The people came in cars, trucks, mule-wagons, on horse-back, and on foot and filled the house at every service, especially at night when all could not get in the building. Some came to the services who had not been to church in more than ten years. Some were added to the church.

O. O. Haley, Pastor.

## PRAY FOR CHINA

Auris Pender, of Sun Hing, China, declared: "There is but one thing to tell, and that is the joys that have been mine." She spoke very highly of the work being done by her co-worker, Margie Shumate, adding, "If anyone goes to work with Miss Shumate who isn't thoroughly consecrated and willing to work hard, she doesn't stay long. Miss Shumate is a tireless worker. The Lord greatly uses her because she is humble and wholly dedicated to Him." Speaking of her present leave of absence, Miss Pender stated: "Someone said to me, 'This is a good time to take a furlough.' I don't feel that way at all. If ever we were needed in China, we are needed now. Every day from one to a dozen refugees come knocking at our door for help. Some are almost naked—all are hungry and emaciated. The prisons are literally filled and the prisoners are starving to death."

Central News, the official agency of the Central Chinese government, has reported that Japanese bombs destroyed the American Southern

Baptist Hospital at Kweilin. Eleven native patients and servants were reported injured. This is the hospital of which Dr. Mewshaw, now at home on furlough, is the head.

## HELP THE HOSPITAL

In view of the fact that the Baptist Hospital does so much charity work and gives such excellent service for the prices charged, and are in need of a large supply of linen. I am asking that each W. M. S. in the sixth district have a "bath rag" shower for the hospital as their directed personal service for September.

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Mrs. H. E. McCormack  
Pachuta, Mississippi  
District Personal Service  
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Mississippi Baptists are interested in Mission work. They are interested in State, Home and Foreign Missions. If there are any who are misguided or just natural kickers the facts above should convince the most skeptical that Mississippi Baptists also believe in State Missions.

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